



HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MALCH 22ND, 1887.

THE HONGKONG CHAMBER OF

COMMERCE MEETING. The attendance at the meeling of th Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday was wretchedly small, and the unly topic those who were present could find to discuss was a miserable little question of red tape. The Chairman opened the proceedings with brief speech, touching seriation on the sub jeets mentioned in the report-which was very lengthy, touching on many important questions-after which he unde an al night pathetic appeal to his henrers to "make remarks." No one seemed to have any remarks to make, however, and the report was adopted without discussion. Subsequently it occurred to Mr. GRANVILLE SHARP to as whether any reply had been received to a certain communication which had been made to the Government. No roply had been received. This gave rise to the discussion on what we have called a question of red tape. cannot but regard as a falso and updignified position. The case stands thus. In July last Messrs. Raiss & Co. wrote plead that they were left uninformed. in to the Chamber giving information as to an attempted illegal exaction by Chinese lekin officials at the entrance to the larbour. This letter was sent by the Chamber through the local Government, to the British Minister at Peking, with a request that His Excellency might be pleased to represent the matter at an early date to the Tsung-li Yamen. The correspondence closes with a letter from the Colonial Secretary stating that the letter of the Chamber with its enclosure had been duly transmitted to the Minister. The fact that no reply has been received from the Minister is accepted by the Chamber as proving that the system of forwarding communications to the Minister through the local Government works unsatisfactorily, and a resolution was adopted directing the Committee to commumicate with the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs with a view to inform him of this. But the proof is insufficient, and if the Comunittee carry out their instructions they will court a spub which will not be undeserved. The letter was not one which called for a reply; consequently the fact that no reply has kong cannot properly be described as " chowbeen received outpot be accepted as showing the defectiveness of the channel of commitnication. Mr. STIEBEL, Messrs. Reiss AND Co.'s representative, said that when he sent in his letter it was only with the view of conveying information which he congrived might be useful, that he had no the Acting Governor at the meeting of the idea it was going to be sent to the Govern- Legislative Council, to the effect that the these veteran statesmen were perhaps public company. The shares have all been taken ment, and that he did not see how they could number of prisoners in the Gaol had declined hardly of the opinion of the Marquis ment of facts. Nor does any reply seem to ment of facts. Nor does any reply seem to the Gaol Commission examined the institution. later describes this event in China's his- the godowns now in course of construction are this Colony should be granted a pro rate reduction that, in their opinion, Hongkong would not be able have been expected by the Committee of the last year, to 510, is highly satisfactory from tory as a singeing of her evebrows. They re- completed and another pier erected at Kowloon Chamber, until the idea was struck out at two points of view. In the first place it shows garded the incident more seriously, seeing in the Directors are sanguine that the business of conveyed is rather that the matter was look- on the vacunt piece of ground below the conclusion of the Chefco Convention, and ed upon as closed so far as the Chamber Police Inspectors' duarters and building a several other questions with foreign states was concerned when the information was new wing to the Garl on the site occupied have also been arranged by the new Grand Seforwarded to the quarter where, as the Com- by the existing Magistracy is again occupy- cretary in a manner mutually satisfactorily. mittee believed, it would be most useful, with ing the serious attention of the Government, In April, 1884, a Ministerial crisis occurred in a request that action might be taken upon it; and it will probably be carried out in the Poking, and Prince Kung was degraded. that the case brought forward by Messrs. tion will be amply sufficient for the number then appointed President of the Grand REISS AND Co. was promptly reported to the of prisoners the colony has to maintain; Council of State, and though some doubt .. would have been botter had the report been exceptionally large; due no doubt to one of selecting sound advisers must therefore formally addressed to the local Government, those waves of crime which periodically be conceded to the Empresses-Regent, and instead of to Peking, and been left to them pass over the colony. This particular wave the surviving Empress has certainly dis-

too much to expect that the British Minister and the Tsung-li Yamen can occupy themselves with questions arising out of the condress by the Consul without avail. It Chamber that Consuls in China exercise quasi-diplomatic powers, and that some-

he answers the question himselfe by saying dicial to the colony. Given co-operation be- experience, and been able to post their Go- secure a permanent memorial in commemoration of The Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce "They don't know anything about it." tween the Chinese and Hongkong authori- vernment in matters political. The fruits of inviting this Chamber to co-operate with the Cham- a letter from the Postal Commissioner appointed by Yes, as the question has afforded by Victoria Gaol will be largely which may be mentioned the Treaty with

Chamber of Commerce—it may be well to cannot fail to be atlended by beneficial vantages on China. To trouble with France, at that port. attempt to clear away the colwels which effects here. The prisoner who, by refrain- over Touquin, leading to disastrous hostili-Mr. O'Conon's letter, conveying the instruction to which such serious objection is
taken. Now, if the Government were not
cognisant of such questions their ignorance
would be of a peculiarly culpable destwould be of a peculiarly culpable destion to which such serious objection is
supervision of old offenders, and a more free
to navigation, and agents or
the Canton River which is a undestrated that the canton River which as the control of the c on the part of the Chamber of Commerce to leave them in such ignorance. On this ground therefore it is desirable that the Ultimately the Chamber took up what we communications should pass through the case of any neglect they may not be able to the ground of saving time and labour the same course has the merit of expediency Let us suppose that on a question respecting the commercial interests of Hougkong the Chamber of Commerce address the Minister at Peking direct. What would happen? The Minister would be able to do nothing until he had communicated with the Government here and forwarded to it either the original or a copy of the Chamber's, communication. Surely-it is a more direct route to send from the Chamber to the Colonial Secretary's office and thence to Peking than to send first to Peking, back\_to Hongkong, and then again to Peking. If such a course as the latter had been suggested by the Circumlocation Office we would not have been surprised, but it certainly : surprising to find it suggested by a bodsupposed to be so eminently bractical as the Hongkong Chamber of Commune. From whatever point of view we look at it the selection of the Hongkong Government as the channel of communication on questions re-

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specting the commercial interests of Hung

HONGKONG. The statement made by His Excellency It is stated in the report, as quoted above, near future. If this be done the accommodic Prince Cuiva, the Emperor's father, was would then probably have communicated with sourcity which prevailed in the Kwangtung a remarkable extent considering the isolathe Consultat Canton, who would have com- province in consequence of the inundations tion in which she dwells and the exceedingly municated with the Viceroy. If the latter and partly to the increased vigilance and parrow scope of her actual experience. assumed responsibility for the act of his severity exercised by the native officials in Nor can it be denied that in some respects formation on this subject. Your Committee regret subordinate and declined to set matters right relation to crime. Still the fulling off of and in certain directions the Empire and its they were pushlo to afford as full information as they there would then have been a case for diplo- over twenty per cent, in the number of Government have progressed during the mimatic action. Granting that it was proper to prisoners which bus since taken place is no nority of His Imperial Majesty Kwang Su. tained. bring the case at once under the notice of the less remarkable than satisfactory, and must It is true that up to the moment the railway Minister, the suggestion made by the Chain- have had some exceptional cause. The is still a novelty in China, and that its intro- sight of by your Committee. Complaints have been ber as to the course to be adopted by His prison diet has been reduced for one thing, duction can searcely yet be said to have been Excellency is somewhat gratuitous and un. This could not fail to have a beneficial effect. sanctioned; but, after tearing up the Woo. obstructions to trade which continue to be experinecessary. "The Committee, therefore, beg but it has hardly been in operation long sung-Shanghai line in a childish pet in 1877, very heavy losses to shipowners, arising from the that your Excellency may be pleased to represent or the whole of the und considering several Memorials in their bad faith of the Chinese Government, in not fulfilling Tsung-li Yaman and urge that orders may be Tsung-li Yamen and urge that orders may be may be found in a disclosure made at the last given by the Government to the canton Ricer. As stated in the last sent, etc. Surely the Minister was able Police Court on Monday. The Hon, the struction of a little railway which may be report of the Chamber, the Canton Authorities to decide for himself whether the interests Acting Colonial Secretary, who was called said to lead from nowhere to nowhere, but were ordered to remove these obstructions in of the colony were most likely to be served as a witness in a case, was asked if a which may yet prove to be the commencement in July last it was reported to the Chamber by addressing the Tsung-li Yancen, by direct- communication had not been made by of a system of railway communication con. that the Vicercy had given orders to fill up

ing the Consulat Canton to take action, or by the Government of Hongkong to the necting Peking with the great industrial mediately telegraphed to Her Majesty's Ministoriat merely placing the evidence before the Hong. Viceroy of Canton to the effect that centres of the empire. If, however, the Peking requesting that an argunt protest might be kong Blockade Commission, which was sitting there were forty bad characters in the colony Government of the Regency could not make made to the Tsung-li Yamen against the unwarranted at that time to deal with the very question who would be given up if the Chinese Go- up their mind to permit the introduction of Covernment recipitive and the important processity of raised by such cases as the one in question. vernment could establish charges against the railway they have heartily adopted the protecting British interests in the Canton waters. dictated the latter course. In any case it is question, but it is a fair inference to draw is connection by wire from Peking to Yunduct of petty officers until the high provincial from men who have made the Kwangtung far have hardly equalled expectations, this of referring the Local Government to the previous can hardly be necessary to remind the ment and the Hongkong Government these Kniping Mines will before long doubtless ping by the regulations in force. gentry might be easily got rid of, to the yield good returns on the capital expended. It is to be regretted that the Governments both here times valuable time may be lost in appealing this colony. It is true that owing to the Peking instead of addressing the properly directed. In any case bare the satisfaction to record that, in a letter restlement meted out to criminals it is eatisfactory to see the abolition of the Consequently your Committee and the construction of the satisfactory to see the abolition of the Consequently your Committee and the construction of the satisfactory to see the abolition of the construction of the subject in Consequently your Committee and the construction of the subject in Consequently your Committee and the construction of the subject in Consequently your construction of the construction of the subject in Consequently your committee and the construction of the construction of the subject in Consequently your committee and the construction of the construction of the subject in Consequently your committee and the construction of the constr would probably be better in future if the handing any one over to the tender mercies the production from existing mines and three days, in conformity with the amouded regula-Chamber, in matters of purely local interest, of the native authorities, but this repugnance, rigorously prohibited all attempts to open confined itself to addressing the local although natural, ought not to be allowed to new ones. Strengous efforts have, too, of Cutters' Island, to be used as a Lazaretto for the sick Government and threw the responsibility on override considerations of prudence and of late, been made to create a Navy, and in cases of Quarantine, has been observed with pleathe latter of deciding on the best channel of right. British soil has ever offered a safe with considerable success, China new possesscommunicating with the responsible Chinese asylum to aliens guilty only of, political ofofficials.

Some months ago that the building would be transferred to the War Office Authorities, and be thereby diverted from the use for which it was constructed, In the early part of last year Mr. O'Conors, an asylum to persons guilty of robbery and and though comparatively little bas been and considerable anniety was felt as to the renewed then Charge d'Affaires at Peking, acting murder. Granted that there are objections done towards bringing it into a state of under instructions from the Secretary of to the giving up of criminals to China, discipline, there are some few trained troops, State for Fereign Affairs in consultation founded on the treatment likely to be meted and most of them are fairly armed. Thanks with the Colonial Office, requested the out to them, these are more than counter- to the labours of Sir Robert Hart, the able Chamber to address any communications to balanced by the objections there are to afford. Inspector-General of the Imperial Maritime Her Majesty's Representative in Peking, ing them immunity from punishment for Customs, a great deal has been done towards respecting the commercial interests of their past crimes and opportunity for com- lighting the coast, and minimising the dan- of the Chamber with regard to the power of the Agents Hongkong, through the regular channel of mitting others. How can the Canton Go- gers to navigation. In their intercourse of steamers to land and give delivery of cargo at the Government of the Colouy. The di- vernment preserve order within its jurisdic- with Western States, the Chinese Govern- Kowloun destined for Hongkong, and its opinion was rection has caused extreme disastisfaction, tion if criminals have an easily accessible ment have manifested some disposition to within the limits of the Colony of Hongkong; (2) on almost disgust, in the mind of the Chairman asylum to flee to? How can we preserve advance with the times. One outcome of whose account is the risk of bringing cargo from of the Chamber of Commerce. He con- order in Hongkong if we offer inducements the Chefoo Copvention was the despatch of Kowloon to Hongkong. On considering the views your Committee, with the object of obtaining corsiders it a slur on "a body well-known to the criminals of Kwangtong to settle Chinese Ministers Plenipotentiary to For- Kowloon must be considered within the limits of the throughout the world, the Hongkong Chaus- amongst us ? All-that can be expected from eign Courts, Kwon Sund as far as I have been informed - Mr. Sharp proposed, and Mr. Mackingsia ber of Commerce." To send communications the Hongkong Government is to take care bassador to England, leaving China in De- clause in Policies, by arrangement with underwriters, portance ought not to be give: to the views advanced "respecting the commercial interests of that no innocent man is surrendered and to cember, 1876, for London. However little within seven days from date of the first discharge of Hongkong's through the Government of exact reasonable guarantees against torture. benefit Western Powers may have derived the cargo. Hongkong is, he says, "simply chewing saw- To offer a refuge to all criminals who choose from this step, it has unquestionably proved that may mean. "What to seek one shores would have one advantageousto China as her Rangeousto China as her Range

the year—the meeting of the Hongkong heneficial effects in Great Britain and which Marquis Tsano-which clearly confers ad, ingly done, and a conittance was forwarded to Shang. seem to have obscured the vision of most of ling from breaches of Gaol, discipline, has ties, which entailed on China large sacrifices speaking in a more moderate tone, Mr. Ryrie re-enter on his criminal career without let or war did not bring discredit on the Empire, months' leave of absence. said :- "With all due deference to our friends | hindrance, but will be under police, surveil- and undernably increased the respect felt who are here manabing the Government of lance for a time. Then again, the punish- abroad for China's resources and tenacity of on the 27th April, when Mr. A. P. Mackwen, the chain and the state of the Chainean of the Chain this colony, there must be questions arising ment of flogging for a third felony will purpose. The prompt suppression of two or rom time to time which they are not cog- be held in terrorem over his head, which will three incipient insurrections in different isant of." The questions referred to are certainly have a very deterrent effect. All parts of the Empire, and the successful overuestions " respecting the commercial inter- these causes working together-co-operation throw by the veteran Tso Tsung-Tand of ests of Hongkong." Such are the words in between the Hongkong and Conton Govern- tho new power set up in Kashgaria by Mr. O'Conon's letter, conveying the instruct ments in bringing criminals to justice, police Yacoon Bug have likewise served to de-

of eulogy. His Majesty save :- " For over ten years, the Empress has been untiring in selecting wise men, for the Government grasped the belm, and that his administration or the best and latest, pattern of brecen-loading selecting wise men, for the Government grasped the belm, and that his administration or the best and latest, pattern of brecen-loading or discountry. service, and dismissing those who were incapable for their office. Whatever money she spent was for the benefit of the people. and the whole nation has been -peaceful History has never recorded such a brilliant administration as that under Her Majesty, a THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOOF fact of which both officials and people ar aware." If the praise is somewhat lavish it must be admitted that it is not wholly undeserved. On the whole the present reign has been prosperous, and the Empress Regent certainly exercised her power with registered office, Pedder's Street, Hongkong, on a portion of the brooth-lockling game and their mountconsiderable discretion. If the progress the 15th Murch to comply with the requirements of lines. Although five months have chapsed since the made by China has been slow, her material the Companies Ordinance. There were present - ment, your Committee are not aware that any of the advancement has been stordy, and no Hon. J. Bell-Irving- (Chairman), Hon. A. signal disaster such as marked previous the folly of her rulers. The Empresses-for Stokes, F. Dodwell, J. Y. V. Vernon, W. K. on the doubt of the Emperor Tuno Car, on Hughes, C. A. Tomes, H. N. Mody, A. G the 12th January, 1875, there were two Merris, S. Rustomjee, and J. I. Hughes minstes on the 31st January, 1888, was forwarded to to the Imperial Government an estated in the last report, Empresses-Regent-were fortunate in hav. (Secretary.) ing moderate men to guide the Councils of the Empire. WEN-SIANG, the Grand Sec. ing has been called in accordance with the Arretary, and Prince Kung, President of ticles of Association and in compliance with the the Grand Council, had both had experented to a general meeting within four months consideration your Committee recommended the acrience of the folly of attempting to offer un of the registration of its memorandum of associareasoning resistance to reasonable demands; tion. This meeting is therefore purely of a they had taken to heart the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of the formal character and in compliance with the mittee, in view of the lesson of destruction of the Summer Palace, a lesson foregoing regulation, but I have pleasure of inflicted by the Earl of ELGIN in punishment availing of the opportunity to state that the unof the blackest treachery and bad faith; and dertaking has been successfully launched as

the meeting on Wednesday, for in their re- that there has been less crime in the colony, it a determination on the part of Western the Company, which is a growing one, will be port they simply say-" The representation and in the second place it reduces the force Powers to tolerate no treachery. Upon the materially increased. I am pleased to inform with regard to the action of the Chinese of the principal argument used in favour of death of Wen-sians on the 26th May, 1876, you that we have arranged with the Government officials was considered by your Committee a new Gaol. For five hundred prisoners the the Empresses appointed Li Hung-Chang, the from this source the Company is likely to derive of sufficient gravity to be promptly reported present structure affords reasonable accommo. Viceroy of Chiblis to be his successor in the considerable benefit. Gentlemen, I trust that to the Local Government, and it will be seen, dation-not sufficient to allow of the separate Secretariat of the Grand Council, and on the at the meeting of shareholders early next year I from the reply to the Chamber's letter, that system being carried out in relation to all occurrence of the difficulty with Englandarie- shall be able to confirm the hopeful prospects of it has been submitted to Her Majesty's the prisoners, but still sufficient to negative ingout of the Yunnan outrage, Li was deput- the Company, which I feel confident has a great Minister at Peking." There is no indication the neccessity for a new building. We be- ed to negotiate a settlement with Sir Thomas future before it. here that any roply was expected; the idea lieve the idea of erecting a new Magistracy WADE. That difficulty was settled by the Local Government. As a matter of fact, as capacially if, as we hope, the legislation now was felt as to the wisdom of the change at the appears from the correspondence, it was only in progress with relation to the criminal time, it proved in its results to be judicious, H. Hoppius, E. H. M. Huntington, L. Poesreported to the Local Government in the classes should result in an appreciable Prince Cu'un having shown unexpected linecker, W. H. F. Darby, M. Grote (Committee), some that the latter was requested to for- diminution in the number of committals, berality of views, and being decidedly more G. Sharp, C. Stiebel, C. B. W. von Bose, E. ward a letter from the Chamber to the At the time the Gaol Commisson conducted favourable to progress and reform than Shellim, A. McConachie, E. Mackintosh, H. W. Minister. In a matter so purely local it its inquiry the number of prisoners was Prince Kung ever was. The credit of Davis, G. S. Coxon, C. D. Bottomley, L. Mendel, to take what action they thought fit. They may no doubt be traced partly to the played both moderation and intelligence to

> Now, there can be no doubt that the criminal subsidiary lines. Mining enterprise has also gemoval of the obstructions complained of. classes of Hongkong are largely recruited been encouraged, and though the results so

dust "-whatever that may mean. "What to seek our shores would be at once advantageous to China, as her Representatives received from Sir Rutherford Alcock; E.C.E., THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN THE IOSTAL ARRANGE. have they got to do with it?" he asks, and unfair to a friendly Government and preju- have acquired much valuable information and Chairman of the Committee formed in London to

long Regency of the Empress in terms corruption. Let us hope that this work may be inaugurated during the administrate made on the express understanding that the guest to British Traders fair play in the pursuit of tion of the youthful monarch who has just be supplied for all the defensive works were to be trade, of the best and latest, pattern of breech-leading tion may be distinguished by the inauguracivil service and the system of judicial pro- parently as substitutes for the breech-loading guns

> WHARF AND GODG WN COMPANY. LIMITED.

above Company was held at the Company's had been made by the Imperial Government' to ship MacEwen. Hon. C. P. Chater, Messrs. W. H. F. they cannot but express their regret that the corres. reigns has been brought upon the country by Darby, M. Grote, H. Hoppius, J. S. Moses (Directors), G. Sharp, H. W. Davis, A. G.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, this meet-

There being no other business the meeting

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

ANNUAL MEETING. The annual meeting of the Hongkong Gun ral Chamber of Commerce was held at the City Hall, on the 16th March. There were presentand H. U. Jeffries (Secretary). The following is the report of the Committee | interests of this Colony. As a set-off to this concession ubmitted to the meeting:-

The Committee beg to submit to the Members ings during the neriod under notice :-ABSORPTION BY ORINA OF PRECIOUS METALS. A letter, dated 17th November, 1835, was receive could wish on certain points mentioned in the correspondence, as no reliable statistics could be ob-

Government mainting out the imperative accessity of them. Dr. STEWART declined to answer the telegraph, and at the present moment there will be seen from the correspondence that repeated representations were made to the Chinese Authorities at Poking, but as yet no definite instructions appear the Government replying that no funds were available to have been given to the Viceroy of Canton for the to meet the cost of such a work, also that diplomatic that something of the kind has taken place. Dan, from Shanghai to Hankow, with various to have been given to the Viceroy of Canton for the

QUABANTINE. province too hot to hold them. With con- is only due to the want of energy with which correspondence on this subject and they have allowed certed action between the Canton Govern- the work has been taken in band. The no fitting opportunity to pass without entering a Hongkong in consequence of the absence of such a protest against the vexatious burden imposed on ship-

tions under Orlinance 9 of 1833.

sare by your Committee. It was, however, believed necessity which would then exist for providing ac-

Your Committee note that the Local Government, in reply to a question put by the Chamber's Ropresentative in the Council, has given the degreet assurance that as the new building has not been transferred, it is available for the purpose intended. LANDING OF CARGOES FOR HONGKONG AT KOWLOOM

been raised with such estness at what diminished. Added to this, we are to have Russia of 1881 by which Kuldja was regulated of their replies, it was resulted to open a subscription reply, expressed its concurrence with the resolutions. we are accustomed to regard as the Police supervision over discharged prisoners, by China, and the Additional Article to the

hai in aid of the movement which is being carried out

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Following the precedent adopted in a previous year, nominated in Mr. Jackson's place, and he was duly

appointed a Member of the Council OBSTRUCTIONS IN THE CANTON LIVER. Mr. W. E. Clarko, master of the steamer Honam, called the attention of the Chamber to certain 100kg

and is now being carried out, an opinion prevailed competing for the same contract, but that such esvery generally that the grant of this large sum was mistance should only be rendered when necessary to heaviest modern Ironalade. In June last articles aption of the reforms so cryingly needed in the passed in the local newspapers calling attention to bargained for by the Council, and your Committee lost no time in addressing the Government on the subject. In reply, the Government stated that the conditions of the armament had been, to a certain extent, misunderstood and that it was never intended to arm the new Forts with breech-loading ordunes only; that the Sea batteries would be provided with the latest pattern of brough-loading gans, that the original armament proposed would probably be augmented in A general meeting of the shareholders of the number and increase of power, also that arrangements hast communication was received from the Govern- for the Government of Tag-boats plying between promised breech-loading ordnance has arrived, and pondence referred to has proved so unsatisfactory.

> for the conveyance of the China mails, and after due ! Despat thes were received from the Local Govern joct, however, to certain modifications. Your Comto the East is 12 knots, decided to arge upon graphic services at Doughoi the departure of the mail, would prove the most regard to the stay in this harbour of the mail packets, your Committee saw no reason to anggest any alteras-Outward and 48 hours on the Homeward younges.

> fence works in progress in the Colony, that a portion of the Western Entrance to the Harbour should the permanently closed by blockading Kellet's Bank. In reply, your Committee, on the information laid before them, stated that such an obstruction would Mr. H. U. Jeffries was appointed Acting Secretary not, to any extent, interfere with the navigation of to the Chamber on the 1st April. adoption of the scheme proposed, at the same time

THE FRANCO-CHINESE TRADE REGULATIONS FOR THE ANNAM FRONTIER. on by France and China, and inviting the expression account. of the Chamber's opinion as to the probable effect of the Colony. Your Committee, in reply, pointed Pelegrams are sufficient to cover the cost. out that the Convention, by providing for the admission of goods across the Chinese frontier at a tariff one-fifth less than that attached to the Treaty | credit to carry forward to new account of \$175.35. of Trentsin of 1858, is calculated to give French goods i an advantage and therefore to militate against the to French trade, your Committee suggested that efforts should be made to induce the I hinese Government to allow the upper reaches of the Pearl river to be opened to trade, and goods intended for Yunuan to be conveyed to Manning-fu duty free and then subjected to the same duties as provided by the new Franco-Chinese tariff. Since then, it appoirs that the French merchants in Tonquin have expressed strong dissatisfaction with the provisions of the Convention. which has not yot been ratified.

BRITISH TRADE DOLLAR. -The members of the Chamber are aware that a full. enquiry into this question was instituted in former years. The arguments adduced in favour of this measure and the recent representations recived from pass the passing of the report, and the accounts question, said-I don't think any reply has been various quarters, influenced the Singapore Chamber of Commerce to invite the co-sporation of this Chamber in taking atops to again urgo on the attention of the Imperial Government the expediency of coining a British Trade Dollar for use in the English Colonies in the East. Your Committee signified their concurrence, in reply to the Singapore Chamber, believing that the suggessful agotiation of the measure would prove a great convenience to the trade of Singapore ; but bearing in mind the failure of the attempt made by this Colony to establish a standard cein, year Committee reserved any expression of opinion, leaving the Singapore Chamber to initiate such representa- As to quarantine regulations, we have been so land communicate direct with Her Majesty's tions as they might think expedient,

PROPOSED LIGHT ON THE GAP ROCK. This is one of the questions which has been pressing for a solution for several years past, former Commit-Government, proposals made by the Imperial Chinese Southern approach to this port may be rendered easy, difficulties stood in the way of the scheme, as the pro-The inconvenience and delay to which vessels are

exposed of being detained within a few miles from light were again brought to the attention of the Local Government, and when Sir Robert Hart, Inspectorgreat gain of the peace and good order of and other enterprises should prove equally the Chamber's representations, but your Committee the Chinese Customs, not only to build but to maintain onartor: to sanction the immediate erection of a Light and at the same time pointing out a means to defray the cost without prejudice to the Trensury. In reply Chamber's letter, together with reports bearing on successful. We have not got the 12 knots an printed in the appendix :this question, had been forwarded to the Secretary of State, and to Her Majesty's Minister at Peking for the information of the Chinese Government, recommending the proposal for favourable consideration.

> LLEGAL TAXES ON GOODS. able under the Chinese Maritime Customs Turiff, is a stone obstruction there would cost a very large through the regular channel of the Government of illustrated in the letter from Mosers. Reiss & Co. The representation, with regard to the action of the Chinese officials, was considered by your Committee of sufficient gravity to be promptly reported to the Local Government, and it will be seen, from the reply to the Chamber's letter, that it has been submitted to Her Majesty's Minister at Poking. BEPLOYMENT OF FOREIGNERS ON BOARD OF

On this subject the Local Government addressed tain information required by the Board of Trade. After the statements submitted had received careful by a small section of officers and engineers upon this matter; and that as regards the granting of Colonial cortificates to other than British subjects, a reversal of this custom would be useless in accoun-

The action thus far taken by your Committee relation to the advisability of mionting measures to collect statistics of the Import and Export trade of this port, is sufficiently explained in the subjoined In April last the Government addressed the Cham. the members on Wednesday. Refere he had sarned a remission of a portion of his in lives and treasure, somewhat narred the of the Hon. T. Jackson; Un-official Member of the the Singapore Chamber of Commerce. The matter Legislative Council, who had been granted twelve is at present under the consideration of a Sub-Committee appointed for the purpose, PROMOTION AND EXTENSION OF BRITISH TRADE BY

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the fact that muzzle-londing gaze had arrived, ap- in which samples of the goods most suitable for foreign markets might be exhibited. In the reply-addressed to the Landon Chumber, your Committee, while expressing the heartiest sympathy scheme of the proposed Imperial Institute, which ap-

> these projected museums. MISCELLANEOUS. of the Committee, under the rules of the Chamber,

peared likely to embrace the object arrived at by

In the last Report reference was made to the protest, entered by the Chamber, against the enforcement by Hongkong and Canton. The representations sub-Majesty's Charge d'Affairs at Peking, who notified the Tsung-li Yamen of his inability to accord to

the Chamber with the request that Government might and your Committee have since learned that Her be favoured with their opinion thereon. and any sug- Majusty's Minister at Paris, acting under instructions, will be seen by reference to the appendix that, three respecting the opening of the ports of Annam to

ceptatice of the offer from the P. & O. Company, sub- opened by the French Government to foreign commorce; Cue Hay, Nam Dink, in Tonguin; Fai-Fo and On the motion of the Hon. J. BELL-IRVING ment in steam navigation, compled with the fact | Chohuyen, Quanbut, Mytho in Anuam's Baoho, Thatke' that the contract speed of the German mail steamers | in Tonquin, and an office for official and private tele-

the Government : (i) to stipulate that the rate of | The Chamber was asked by the Colonial Governspeed at which the mail steamers shall run between ment whether it was propored to give any assistance in his resignation. I have much pleasure in Suoz and Shanghal should not be less than 12 knots in the promotion of the representation of Hongkong proposing that we elect Mr. Jeffries. (Applause). an hour; (2) that as the Imperial Government will at the International Exhibition to be held next year on its contribution; (3) that the hour of noon, for to make a creditable representation, as few of the convenient to the mercantile community. With Classification of Exhibits, were produced in the Colony. ment of the Philippine Islands, respecting the with tion in the existing arrangement of 21 hours on the drawnl from circulation in the Philippines of certain Silver coins, will be found in Appendix T.

Mr. Atwell Coxon has retired from the Chamber-Austro-Huurarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Commembers of a commission appointed to inspect the de- pany; and-Mr. G. S. Coxen have been elected monbers : their clustion requires confirmation.

leave of absonce, has since resigned.

FINANCE. The sum of \$1,766.87 (£300) granted by the Chainthey availed themselves of the opportunity to suggest ! her to Mr. A. R. Colquhoun, in aid of his Exploration a medification of the plan for the consideration of fand, has been returned, and out of that amount \$1.50.00 kas been udded to fixed deposit. The New Oriental Hank Corporation offered to pur-In June last a letter was received from the Local Oriental Bank Corporation in Liquidation, by a cash on Punjums (Common Skein Siik) an extra tax of \$2 Government, transmitting a translation of the Re- payment of 90 per cent. This was accepted, and the per picul was demanded, although the goods had al-Hon. P. Ryrie (Chairman), Hon. A. P. MacEwen gulations for the Amam Frontier trade determined sum of \$378.69 received in March last, closed the ready paid the full lekin of \$1 per picul at Wang-man

Your Committee have new the satisfaction to state that the present subscriptions to Reuter's Political

The sum on fixed deposit is \$5,000.00.

The usual statistics of Trade, together with the

Annual Reports of the Harbour Master and Postmaster-Gener 1 are appended. The CHAIRMAN-Gentlemen, the first business of the day is to confirm the proceedings of the special general meeting held to elect a membeen before you for a long time I will propose mission to confirm it.

The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen, in rising to proattached thereto. I have not much to say. The received, I can only say that, much to my own report placed before you, as you will see, deals | dissatisfaction, and I may almost say disgust, we those subjects we have not been so successful as our desputches must go through the local Gowe might have expected. The first one is with vernment. Who was the originator of that I am regard to the navigation of the Canton River. | unable to say, but I think it is a slur on this The reply from Her Majesty's Minister at Peking | Chamber. We have for a great many years com is not a very reassuring one, but I hear from a municated direct with high political authorities. private source that it is the intention of the and I know, from correspondence I have in my Chinese Government to remove the barriers. possession, that Chambers of Commerce in Engfar successful that the time of quarantine has Ministers, that is, with the offices of which they been reduced from five to three days, and the are the head, and I don't see why this Chamber sanitarium at Stonecutters' Island is not to be should be compelled to do what it is now said wo tees having submitted, for the consideration of the sold to the War Office. It will be available must do. With all due deference to our friends when any occasion arises for its use. There is who are here managing the Government of this Customs for the construction of a Lighthouse on, or in another obstruction in the Canton River to be colony, there must be questions arising from the neighbourhood of, the Gap Rock, in order that the referred to. The attention of the Chamber was time to time which they are not cognisant of called by Mr. W. E. Clarke, master of the I should think it must be a great trouble and steamer Monam, to certain rocks at the western annoyance to them to have to forward all our entrance to the Dutch Folly Channel in the Can- correspondence, and that is the only reason I can posed site was not within the jurisdiction of the Eng. ton River which are considered dangerous to navigation. The matter was referred to the Hong- filtered first through the Government here, then kong. Canton, and Macao Steumboat Company, sent to Peking, and then it comes back through and they wrote to the authorities in Canton, but the Government here to us. This Chamber is a I am sorry to say there has been no result. The well recognised body which has been in corresdefences of Hongkong is a subject which I am pondence with Her Majesty's Minister at Peking afraid none of as are quite satisfied with. It is for a number of years, and we ought to have the difficult to make out what is to be done, and the privilege of corresponding with him.

hour, but we have got other, advantages, as you In confermity with instructions which I have re-I think it is the opinion of this Chamber that sum of money. Then we come to the Franco-Chinese Trade Regulations for the Annam frontier. These are in a rather nebulous states None of

it is a subject, which has been stirred up in this consideration and attention. Chamber for a number of years. The fact is, as appears from the reports that have been laid by Sir John Walsham in an intergiew the Combefore the Chamber, that the cost would be such | mittee had with him when he passed through that it would not be advisable for us to entertain | floughoug. by the managers of the banks on the subject, they seconded, the following resolution :are not very favourable to it. The next thing we come to is the proposed light on the Gap to compunicate with the local Government inquiring Rock. There, I think, we are on the right whether any answer has been received to the letter addressed by the Chamber on the 26th of July last to

the various chamber of C macros asking for their called to consider the proposed change in the Postal we shall see it ere long. The illegal taxes on Charge d'Affaires at Peking in his letter of 23th. goods is another subject, but I have heard February, 1886. to be collected on goods around this Colony It is a matter I have felt very strongly about.

the stations, and that we will not hear much more of this complaint. As to the employment the Singapore Chamber of Commerce. The matter of foreigners on board British vessels, you say what we say on the subject. It is better not to be touched upon by ma. ome other member may have something to say on the subject, The proposed change in the postal agrangements at Your Committee received, through the Local Go. Shanghai, and I suppose here, has not received vornment, in September last; a Circular letter from the cordial support of this Chumber We are the Foreign Office on the question of the promotion not in favour of the Customs, taking charge of and extension of British Trade by officers of Her Ma-jesty's Diplomatic and Consular Services, and asking the postage. We now come to a very difficult for an expression of the Chamber's opinion thereon. question, with regard to the registration of imat the Western entrance to the Dutch Folly Channel Your Committee, in reply, while recording their opinion ports and exports. That question is now in the in the Canton River which are considered dangerous that it is undesirable that British Representatives hands of a sub-committee. It is a most difficult THE REGIME OF THE REGENCY.

The first Decree of the Emperor Kwang grounding his assumption of the reins of administration, naturally refers to the properties and to parget the body politic of administration, naturally refers to the properties and to parget the body politic of and the properties and the properties and to parget the body politic of administration, now being carried out, an opinion ground at their complaints of characters and prompt, attention to all complaints of characters and to parget the stronger and the regard to the form to trade on the farther-reaching that it acony of Mr. Clarke's ideas was referred to its Board of Directors and to prompt attention to all complaints of characters and in the regard to the promotion and extension of British trade to the promotion and extension of British trade to the order of the common of the members of this Chamber that it their favourable consideration.

How wish we could character was submitted for the trade on kind; to commend, likely to be of advantage to British commerce, to the with this increase of vigour and energy, to be of advantage to British commerce, to the order of the Commit of the order of the consult of the order of the consult of the order of the consult of the promotion at their favourable consideration.

How wish we could character to all complaints of characters of the twide any kind; to commend, likely to be of advantage to British commerce, to the order of the order of the twide any kind; to commend, likely to the twide any kind; to commend the twick of the commend of the trade of the regard to the trade of the regard to the trade of the regard to the regard to the trade of the regard to the reads of the regard to the regard to the regard to the regard to th a new Committee and also a Secretary, Mr.-Baily having formally handed in his resignation. The funds of the Chamber, you will see by the accounts, are in a very favourable condition, considering all things, although we would be glad to have more members. The Reuter's telegrams have been started again they were never really suspended—on a very

and out of this Colony, and I think there is

every reason to suppose that there will be an

and of it, that foreigners will be in charge of all

favourable basis, that is, the Chamber loses nothing by them. The Committee have also trinform the members, as you will see, that the £300 adwith the movement, called attention of the larger | vanced to Mr. Colquboun has been returned and has been deposited in the Bank to the credit of the Chamber In other respects I think you will consider the accounts as highly satisfactory. Gentlemen, I have nothing more to say, but will be glad to hear any remarks by members on the

report or the appendix. No romarks being offered, the CHAIRMAN moved that the report by adopted. Mr. Mackintosh-I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report

Carried nem. com. On the motion of the CHARMAN, seconded by The case of the steamship Galveston, which restel it i new members was confirmed: -The New Orient other papers addressed to the Government, regarding will be remembered was ordered away from the port tal Bank Corporation, Limited; the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Co.; and

The following were elected by ballot to serve gostions which the Chamber might desire to offer. It made a friendly appeal to the French Government as the Committee for the evaning year: -Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. A. P. MacEwen, Hon J. Boll-Irving, Messrs. H. Hoppius, E. H. M. Hunting. ton, W. H. F. Darby, J. Walter, M. Geote, and

posed contract, ten years, and the probable improve. Telegraphic services had been uposed at Quantity elected Chairman and the Hon. A. P. MacEwen The Chairman-I beg to notify this meeting that Mr. Baily, who was our Secretary, has sent

> Mr. Mackingosu-I have much pleasure in seconding that Carried unanimously. Mr. Sharr-Has no raply been received to the communication made by the Chamber in July last in reference to the case of extertion in the barbour? Your letter is dated the 26th

> July. 'It is addressed to the Colonial Government and forwarded by their to Her Majesty's The correspondence referred to by the speaker

was in reference to the following letter addressed to the Chamber by Mosses. Reiss &

Hongrone, 19th July, 1886. occurrence, thinking that at the present moment if

Early in the morning of the 14th instant, there arrived at the Kap-si-mun Pass two (2) junks, named Yun Ohn and Man We respectively, and bound from Kowkong to this port. Those junks were stopped by chase the balance of the Chamber's claim on the the Chinese officials at the Rap-st-mun Station, and and the owners tendered a receipt for the same in thre form. This extra tax has never been levied at the The Accounts have been mudited by Musers. H. A. of the silk refusing to pay the extra lekin, the junks Herbert and G. S. Cozon, and there is a balance at were stopped until late in the evening, when they Were allowed to proceed after giving a bond, that should the Canton Authorities (Chan-tak) confirm the extra charge, the owners guaranteed its payment. We need not point out to you, that similar obstrue tions would seriously interfere with the trible of the

colony.--Wethave, &c., The Hor: Phineas Ryrie, Chainnan, Hongkons ber to represent this Chamber in the Legislative. This letter was forwarded with a covering letter Council As the report of that meeting has by the Chairman of the Chamber to the Colonial Secretary, and a reply was received stating i that it be taken as read and request your per- bad been forwarded to Her Britannic Majesty's Minister at Peking. Here the correspondence

The CHAIRMAN, in replying to Mr. Sharp's with a great number of subjects. With some of have now been laid under the regulation that all

guus will come we have no information. They are ally Mr. MACEWEN pointed out that it was coming so is next Christmas (Laughter). With contained in the following extract from a letter regard to the postal contract I think that perhaps from Mr. N. R. O'Conor thou Charge d'Affaires to this communication the Government stated that the the Chamber's representations have been fairly at Peking, dated 25th February, 1886, and

will see on consulting the report. With regard ceived from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for to the blockade of the harbour to the westward. Foreign Affairs in consultation with the Colonial Office, I take this opportunity of requesting that you , The subjection of produce to arbitrary, taxation by that work would be of too costly a nature for us niections to Hor Majesty'n representative in Peking, the Chinese Lekin officials, in excess of the duty levi- to enter upon. To fill up Kellet's bank and put respecting the commercial interests of Hongkong, the colony. At the same time I beg to say that I am sure it will always be agreeable to Her Majesty's representative

us knowmuch about them, I think, and perhaps we which the Chamber of Commerce of Hongkong may to receive through this channel any representations. might pass them over with the remarks in the sec it in their interest to address to him, and that report. With regard to a British trade dollar, these representations will at all times receive every Mr. Hoppius said the order was confirmed

That the Committee of the Chamber be requested track. I think before very long we shall have a H.B.M.'s Minister in China in reference to the illegal light there. (Applause). It has been advocat- exaction by the Chinese Customs Station in the Can ed for a number of years and has now been re- Sing Moon Pues brought forward by Merers, Reiss & ferred to the Secretary of State. The proposals Co.; also that they be directed to communicate with and suggestions made by the Government here the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in reference All this strikes is as being: very pitiful, ties in keeping the criminal classes under, about the common and th

something very recently as to what Sir Robert | The CHAIRMAN-I have much pleasure in most important sud practical mosting believe which has been attended by very Chefoo Convention, both negotiated by the goods around this Colony It is a matter I have felt very about

remonstrated about it with our late Governor, who is to be one Governor again. It is easting a slight on a body was known throughout the world, the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce. We as taxpayers have a very rood ground for objecting to this arrangement. They cannot get on without assistance in the Colonial Secretary's office, and why should their time be taken up with this, when we have a Secretary of our own, and p-very able Secretary? It is simply chewing sewdust. What have they got o do with it? They don't know anything about We have a very fair cround, as taxpayers. of this colony, to object to it.

Mr. STIEBEL said that when he wrote the lefter referred to it was because he thought the subject touched the welfare of Hongkong and that it would interest the Chamber, but he had no iden the letter was going to be forwarded to the Government. He simply wanted to put before the Chamber a good case of the blockade of the He did not think they could expect any Yeply, socing it was simply a statement. Mr. MACKINTOSH asked Mr. Stiebel if any one lost anything by the action of the Customs

Authorities. Mr. Streen, replied that no one had lost any-

Mr. MACKINTOSH Said the action showed the hostility of the Chinese Customs authorities. and he thought the Chamber had a right to pro-

Mr. GROTE said there ought to have been at least one letter from Peking acknowledging recoint of the communication: After some further remarks of a conversa-

tional character, in which the enhancement which takes place in the price of goods imported into Canton owing to the exactions of the native authorities was referred to the resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously. There was no other business Brought forward, and the meeting Jerminated.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held on the 18th March. There were present :-His Excellency THE ACTING GOVERNOR,

HON. W. H. MARSH. C.M.G. Hon. Sir GROUGE PHILLIPPO, Chief Justice. Hop. F. STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary. Hon, E.J. ACKROYD, Acting Attorney-General Hon. A. Listen, Colonial Treasurer.

Hon. J. M. PRICE. Surveyor-General. Hon. H. G. THOMSETC, Harbour Master. Hon. P. RYRIE. Hon. Wong Shing.

Hon. A. P. MACEWEN. Hon. J. Bell-Irving." Hon. C. P. CHATER.

and confirmed.

Mr. A. Seth, Clerk of Councils: The minutes of the last meeting were read

His Excellency-Hon, gentlemen of the Logislative Council. I have to lay before you June last under the Chefoo Convention to dispose of those matters generally referred to as

the blockade of Hongkong. I will read the

 The Officer Administering the Government is now able to lay before the Council a copy of the Memorandum of weis . Cagement arrived at by the Commission which Section 9 of the Additional Article to the said A ree- on Tuesday afternoon. ment, signed at Landon on the 18th, July, 1886. The Joint Commissioners for China Inid before the Commission three alternative plans for the collection of Opium

The first plan proposed that the Opium Revenue should be those paragraphs of the Secretary of State's dewas regarded by the Chinese section of the Commission spatch which referred to the subject before the as the me of the three best calculated to secure a full Council had been printed; the other paragraphs adjection at the last cost, and as less likely than ei h r referred to business which would not be laid be-"of the uthers to ambarrass other Government or Com- | fore the Conneil. merce. By a system of deferred payments of duties it Intha it was alleged that interference with capital would he avoided, and by freeing Opium from taxation in

China, smuggling and its attend at evils would, it was work, find is, collect her own Revenue on Chinese ter- was approved. eif ry, and take her own preventive steps all along the ... THE ABOLITION OF COBONER'S INQUESTS, Chicase sen-board; a pl n which could be made thoroughly effectual, but would neces it its large expention, and that the more thoroughly it was done the more given at the last meeting of this Council.

2. Onium stored in the Opium Hulks was to to Chinese ports to pay Daty and Lekin before leaving

Duty and Lokin before leaving the Hulk. general outline had been acceptable to the Hongkong curred there. As soon as any violent or sudden opportunity of considering the despatch of the

Huck plan as it anscared to the Hongkong Commissioner that could not be sanctlaned by the Government of this upon any one, when swidence sufficient to war- convicted of any felony committed after two Colony. How ver, as it was desirable to help the rant an arrest is obtained, he is arrested, and previous convictions of felone "-that is, after submitted to the Commission certain proposals which he had but had under consideration. Those proposals were l

Tais Memoranium of Agreement was franquitted by i Government, to the Viceroy of India, and to Her Majesty's would then give the necessary order for a post whether for trivial offences such as largeny such Minister at Peking, with a Confidential Report drawn up mortest examination or for the burial of the body. a punishment should be imposed. I remember pared by Mr. Russell by which it is proposed to carry into is really no use of a Coroner's jury, and I see no was sentenced to I think six or seven years'

those on Opinm only as contemplated by the Additional Commissioner of the Imperial Customs instead of the Hoppo and Lekin Board as formerly. The Officer Administering the Government therefore

lays on the table, to be read a first time, the Draft Ordinance which will carry out the condity as mentiosed in the Memorandum of Agre-ment, and which will, it is exbeeted, protect and improve the Opi on Excise Revenue of the Colony. It is practically the same measure as has been in force in the Straits Settlements for yours past, and which has worked so well that Singapere alone obtains about \$86,400) a month from the Opium Farmers. It is confidently anticipated moreover that when this arrangement has been earried out all grounds will be removed for the complaints that we've so frequent some years ago of the vexations proceedings of the Native Customs Officials at the Stations near Honglong. The duties to The ff instead of an uncertain and variable of an decorrection of crime and for whipping it have higherto been alleged to be, and it is provided that to guther from what I hear, I believe that this would not be advisable to have something in the in case of any dispute the Governor of Hongkong can resolution will meet with no opposition. I mature of a Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society,

Customs.

Joint Commissioners for China; and Mr. Byron | resolution is passed, and a new Ordinance abolish- way to temptation; and there may be cases—

Opinum in quantities less than one obest.

Opium, it- oustody or control, in quantities less the resolution. 3.—That all Opium arriving in the Colony be remake to the measure. I would not bind myself by his being placed under police supervision. If ported to the Harbour Master, and that no Opium is make to the measure. I would not bind myself by his being placed under police supervision and at shall be transhipped, landed, stored, or moved it to the exact words of the resolution, but I think he were placed under police supervision and at 3.—That all Cpium arriving in the Colony be re-ported to the Hurbour Master, and that no Opium from one store to another, or reasported without | Coroner's juries -might be abolished in most | the same time had the means of living honestly a permit from the Harbour Master and notice to 4.—For the keeping by Importers, Experters, and Godown Dwners in such form as the Governor

may require, books shewing the movement of 5.—For taking stock of quantities in the stores, and search for deficiencies by the Opinm Farmer, and for furnishing to the Harbour Master returns of stocks. 6. For amendment of Harbour Regulations as to

the night clearances of junks. The conditions on which it is agreed to submit the 1.—That China arranges with Macao for the adoption of equivalent measures. 2. That the Hongkong Government shall be entitled to repeal the Ordinance if it be found to be injurious to the Revenue or to the legitimate move the second reading of the Bill. trade of the Colony.

3.—That an Office under the Foreign Inspectorate shall be established on Chinese Territory at a convenient spot on the Kowloon side for sale of Chinese Opium Duty Certificates, which shall be freely sold to all comers, and for such quantities

of Opium as they may require.

4. That Opium accompanied by such certificates, at the rate of not more than Ils. 110 per picul, shall be free from all further imposts of every soft, and have all the benefits stipulated for by the Additional Article on hebulf of Opium, on which duty has been paid at one of the ports of China, and that it may be made up in scaled parcols at the option of the purch sor.

5.—That junks trading between Chinese ports and Hongkong, and their cargoes, shall not be subject to any duess or dulies in excess of those leviable | nace, 1887. on junks and their cargoos, trading between Chinose ports and Mação, and that no daes whatseever shall be demanded from junks coming to Hongkong from ports in China or proceeding from Hongkong to ports in China, over and above the dues haid or payable at the ports of clearance 6.—That the Officer of the Foreign Inspectorate, who

will be responsible for the management of the Kowloon Office, shall investigate and settle ony complaints made by junks trading with Hongkong against the Native Customs Revenue Stations or Cruisers in the neighbourhood, and that the Go- servitude," does it not? vernor of Hongkong, if he deems it advisable, shall be entitled to send a Hongkong Officer to

If however they do not agree a reforence may be made to the Authorities at Peking for a joint decision. Sir Robert Hart undertakes on behalf of himsel and Shao Taotai (who was compelled by unavoidable circumstances to leave before the sittings of the Commission were terminated) that the Chinese Govern to be sentenced to imprisoment with hard labour ment shall agree to the above conditions.

The undersigned are of opinion that if these sentenced to penal servitude. arrangements are fully carried out, a fairly suffictory selution of the questions connected with the sp-called THE FRENCH AND GREMAN MAIL STRAMERS "Hongkong Blockado" will have been arrived ab-Signed in triplicate at Hongkong, this 11th day of September, 1886. J. RUSAELL.

(Signed), Puisne Judge of Hongkong. BYRON BRENAN, H. B. M.'s Consul at Tiontsin-

fidential despatch by Mr. Russell. It is a very renewed, and, it would expire on the 1st Sepable and important document, and has received tember next. It is necessary before that time high commendation from the Secretaries of State | arrives to rough the operation of this Ordinance, a minute on a very important subject, the pro- both for India and the Colonies, but I am un- but Instead of renewing it from year to ceedings of the Commission which sat here in able to lay it before the Council because it is year this new Ordinance provides that it strictly confidential. I was going to propose shall continue in force so long as the Postal to unofficial members of Council that they convention between England and France conshould meet the Executive Council here next cluded on the 24th September, 1856, shall re-Tuesday, and the report will be read to them | main in force. Otherwise the Bill is the same

It was arranged, at a substance tage of the proceedings that the unofficial members of Section differs the Agreement between Great Batain and Council should most the Executive Council, as China, signed at Chefun on the 18th September, 1878, and suggested by this Excellency, at three o'clock

The Acting Colonial Secretary laid on Revenue f r China which may be briefly described as the table cortain correspondence in reference the Whipping Ordinance, and stated that only

The minutes of the Finance Committee were laid on the table, and a vote of \$900 for the om-The account plan property distribute should deher own ployment of a temporary Inspector of Naisances

The ATTORNEY GENERAL-I beg, sir, to move the following resolution, of which potice was

The third plan and r which it was proposed that there require the enquiry into cases of sudden or violent be more expensive than the first, and it probably would not be proposed that the pro neg causes and the case of persons under the follows:

1.—The Chinese Customs were to be analysis of the case of persons under the case of persons under the distance and must not exceed 36 in the case of persons under the case of persons under the case of adults, or 12 in the case of persons under the age of 16 years.

1.—The Chinese Customs were to be analysis of the case of persons who die in gaptanets at Hangkorff supplements bodies of persons who die in gaptanets at Hangkorff supplements bodies of persons who die in gaptanets.

vessels were to discharge their Oplum into an Opium answering the question, because when the evi- factory to the public, seeing the report of the for cortain prison offences and requiring him to Halk the Fr neh Mail steamers into the French Halk dence taken before the Coroner's jury has proved. Commission was a public document, that the full report to the Gevernor every case in which he the commission of a crime, and strong suspicion reply of the Secretary of State should also be exercises that powerbe rests upon some one, and that person is arrested, published. an inquiry takes place before a police magis. His EXCELLENCY-I think I have given "(a) upinon leaving a Hulk to go by steamer to Macoo, trate. Evidence is taken afresh, and even the everything that refers to the report of the Comon before any vardiet is given by the Coroner's to other matters not before the Council, such as Ch. Oman leaving a Hulkita be taken to any Golows jury, and the evidence taken by the Coronor and the building of a new guel, expressing a strong at Houghous other than the Custom's Godown, to pay jury is of no use whatever at that or any sub- opinion there is a necessity for a new guest. sequent enquiry. Were I asked also if there were Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-I beg to say your (c.) Opium leaving a Halk to be taken to a Chinoso any fear of a miscarriage of justice, or escape Excellency's answer is perfectly satisfactory t Treaty Port by seels under Treaty Power flags or of a guilty person, by abolishing the office me if the portions of the despatch which have

belonging to the China Merchants' Company, to pay of a gunty person, by abolianing to the China Merchants' Company, to pay of Coloner and the Coroner's jury, I should have been printed are all that refer to the report of Duly and Lekin at the Treaty Port in the manner of Coloner and the Coroner's jury, I should have provided for by the Additional Acti le, but the Hulk no hesitation in saying we need have no appre- the Commission. Of course the question of a Other is to be such each such vessel for d livery to the hension on that soore. In Mauritius, where new good is an entirely different matter. tustoins at the Trusty Port a Cargo Certificate de- I occupied the post of District Magistrate for It was suggested the despatch as printed eribing the nature and quality of spining received from the many years, there is no Coroner, and I am sure, might be read, and the CLERK read it accordingly, and to be delivered at the Treaty Port, and they were also to send a copy of that certificate by some sir, you will bear me out, when I say that the ingly. other vessel direct to the Customs at the port concerned, want of a Coroner was never tell there, nor has

those terms are settled he is perfectly at liberty and payation and with regard to this Hill, which imposes to enter the bargain, and in Resister 2. I am therefore of opinion that the biring is what and wives, are to be reported by the local officials and did not take it into consideratio. It is a Government medical officer or orders the whipping for somewhat trivial offences, some CERTAIN CRINESE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE TO The THE PEA needles to enter into the arguments for and again the burial of the body, and gives such further in- little consideration is required. For instance, even with a neiderable modifications, of a restore structions as are necessary. If suspicion rest the first paragraph.—"If any person shall be Chinese Government to collect their Opium Revenue if the case enquired into by the magistrate. The two previous convictions for petty larcony system works satisfactorily, and as far as I man may be punished by whipping; and cer know no complaint has ever been made against tainly if he came before the court over which I nee pled by the C linese Government. Subsequent discuss it, or any want felt of a Coroner. So here, if we have the honour to preside I don't see how I sion led to some modifications and the conditional arrange | make the change I propose, the police, upon hear- could set aside the words of the Ordinance and ing fa sadden or violent death, would at once not perform the duty imposed on me by the make enquiry and report to the magistrate, who legislature. I think it is open to some question and issue such further instructions to the Polico at one time there was an order that all By a Confidential Despitch dated 21st January last, the as were necessary; and in case crime was proved cases where there had been more than one con-

and the offender arrested, he would be examined, viction should be brought before the Supreme sanctioned the introduction of the Draft Ordinance tro- the case now. In the great majority of cases there for trivial offences were passed. In one-case a man. effect the terms of the Memoria dum of Agreement, so reason whatever to fear any miscarriage of justice ponel servitude for stealing two or three roots mon as it was ascertained that the equivalent arrange or the escape of any offender by the change I not worth 6d. I think that is rather a strong means with the O v rament of Macao, referred to in cont now seek to bring in. I am informed that this power to put in the hands of the court, and I A tile can recently received from Her Majesty's question has often engaged the attention of for don't see how a judge would escape the respon-Mi ister at Peking conveys the information that these mer Attorneys General and that they were in sibility if it is thrown on him by the legislature. (1.) Juvenile Offenders, 16 and under. equivalent arrange cents with Macao have been concluded, favour of it, but had no time, or perhaps oppor- I therefore suggest some consideration should and that from 1st April next all duties on goods exported tunity, of bringing it in. I must say, however, be given to a punishment of that sort. With and imported by junks from Hongloog and Macao -not that Mr. O'Malley was against any change, but I reference to the other cases in which the Bill think the stands alone in his opinion. It provides flogging may be inflicted I have not so

partment: The Station and the entrances to this Harbour would be a very great boon to the common much to say—extortion, piracy, and indecent asand that if Macao will therefore in future be under a jurors who are obliged to serve on Coroner's saults—but still I think the matter is open to juries, if we could make this change, and I some little consideration, and it is not necessary should be very glad, if during my short for us to pass it immediately, without giving tenure of office I could, without in any way consideration to the despatch of the Secretary jeopardising any interest of the public or of State, the reasons very properly put forward lessening any safeguard, confer this boon up- by the Chinese Justices of the Peace, and also on them. I feel that they suffer loss of time, seme little consideration as to how the other and that loss of time serves no useful or prac- measures now before us dealing with criminals tical end. There may be some special cases in lare likely to work. which it would be advisable the cause of death | Hon. P. Fyrie-If you introduced the punishshould be enquired into by a Police Magistrate ment of a few cuts of the cane for petty larceny and a jury. Power might be reserved conferring you would not have your gaol filled with people the necessary authority upon the Police Ma- living there on better food than they gat outside. (11.) Indecent Assault. gistrate, in such a case, to call in a jury. This The CHIEF JUSTICE-One matter I omitted

matter has. Thelieve, been very often thought to mention, whether in connection with the Bills depute an Officer to make enquiry into, the ematter in therefore beg to move the resolution I have as they have in England. When a workman therefore beg to move the resolution I have as they have in England. When a workman Hon. P. Ryrie-My learned friend has so probably have no difficulty in getting employ-

suance of Article 7 Section III. of the Agreement with the approval of a very large majority in Italsa charges have been brought against a man, Additional Article to the said Agreements, signed at the rears when they have had to go all the the opportunity of going to the Discharged Pri-Ordin mee for the regulation of the trade of the Colony Station. Now they have to go, at their own charge getting it, or make provision for sending him in Raw Opium subject to conditions hereinafter set and expense, to a very great distance. If this away if he could reasonably be sent to some "I.—For the prohibition of the import and export of resolution passes, it will be a very popular aboli-colony. There is then no excuse for him to retion of a duty which has been found to be most furn to crime. But I am straid in many cases

HIS EXCELENCY—There seems to be no opposition at all to the resolution. The resolution was then put to the Council and carried nem. con.

THE OPIUM ORDINANCE. The Colonial TREASURER-I beg, sir, move the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinands for the better regulation of the trade in opinin"-the Ordinance which has been referred to by your Excellency in your speech. The Acting Colonial Secretary speopled.

THE POLICE ORDINANCE. The Acting Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law for the establishment and regulation of the Police Force of the

colony." The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded The Bill was rend a first time.

first reading of a Bill sutitled "The Cattle Dis- Central Market.

eases, Slaughter-Houses, and Markets Ordin-. The Actino Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill was read a first time.

ADDLITION OF PENAL SERVITUDE. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill outitled "All Ordinance to abolish transportation and penal servitude and to anbstitute other punishment in lieu thereof." The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded. His EXCELLENCY-The Ordinance simply bolishes the terms "transportation" and "penal

really simply abolishing the terms. There is no der consideration the question as to the best he present at, and assist in the investigation difference between ponal servitude and im- provision to be made for stall accommodation prisonment with hard labour except a pending the construction of the proposed New very small detail with regard to rations. Central Market, and they recommand that the What the Ordinance provides is that no southern or Quenn's Road half of the present person shall henceforth be sonteneed to penal old structure be used as a temporary market servitude or transportation, but he will be liable pending the crection of the northern balf of the for the same term of years as if he were now tion of the new building being completed, the

The Acting Attorney-General-I move.

the second reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordiname to make provision for securing the status of French mail steamers within the ports of the Inspector-General of Customs, China. colony of Hongkong." In 1880 the first Ordinance respecting Fronch mail, steamers was passed. It was limited for one year and was re-Reference is made in this minute to a con- newed from year to year. Last year it was as the original one.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill was read a second time. The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to make provision for securing the status of Gorman mail steamers within the ports of the colony of Hongkoug." He explained that this was similar to the preceding Bill except that a provision is inserted that it shall continue in force so long as the Postal convention between England and Gormany is in operation.

The Bill was read a second time. THE POLICE SUPERVISION BILL pends on the other.

THE WHIFFING OKDINANCE. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-With Teférence to the Bill entitled "An Ordinance empowering the Courts to award whipping as a

The CHIEF JUSTICE-I bey to propose that Modifications would have been made on this plan if the any miscarriage of justice, in consequence, oc- the Ordinance lay over until we have had an mre ament such as refunding duty on opium a usu ed death is reported, the police make enquiries Secretary of State and also the other legislation in the Colony—or shown to have been expected to places other than China. Another was that the Hules should be pinced under the British flag.

Under instructions from Hor Majosty's Government, ing to the pircumstances of the case, causes criminals under police supervision for a lengthened ing to the pircumstances of the case, causes criminals under police supervision for a lengthened ing to the pircumstances of the case, causes

Memorandum of the basis of Agreement arrived at clearly and so fully explained the reasons why ment again, and the majority of prisoners after discussion between Mr. James Russell, Paisne the Coroner's jury should be done away with, come under that category, but there are shop-Judge of Houghous; Sir Robert Hart, K.C.M.G., the Coroners Jury should be say. If this keepers and others who have probably given that he has left but little for me to say. If this keepers and others who have probably given Brenan, Her Majesty's Consulat Tentsin, in purious Coroner's juries introduced, it will meet I am sure I cannot say there are none-where between Great Britain and China, signed at Chefoo this Colony. Serving on Coroner's juries is a When he comes out he finds it very difficult to on the 13th September, 1876, and of Section 9 of the terrible tax on jurors, and it has been more so get employment. In England he would have Mr. Russell andertakes that the Government of way to the Mortuary. In former years it was not soners' Aid Society, and they would seek for Hongkong shall submit to the Legislative Couroil an so bad, because the Mortnery was near the Police employment for him, keep him while he was

2,—For rendering illegal the possession of Raw irksome. I have much pleasure in seconding in this colony a man who has been once convicted i The OHEF JUSTICE-I have no objections to criminal life; and it is made all the worse for him

> erime, but if he finds he must either steal or starve, and then if brought before the court again he must be whipped-it seems to me if some charitable institution of the kind I have mentioned could be get up, amongst the Chinese in patieular, for holding out some kind of a saving hand to a man after his first conviction. so as to enable him to live an honest life if he chooses, the Government aught to contribute liberally towards it, and then I think we would be much more justified in bringing in these provisions; which are certainly necessary to guard The Colonial Treasurer gave notice that the colony against the crimes that are commit-

at the next meeting of the Council be would ted by professional criminals. The question that the order to go into committee on the Bill be postponed was then put and

> THE PROTECTION OF YOUNG GIRLS. The Bill for the better protection of young girls was recommitted in order that a verbal alteration might be made, and the Bill was then read a third time and passed.

THE CENTRAL MARKET.

The Council adjourned until Friday next at

THE TEMPORARY CENTRAL MARKET.

The following report by the Public Work Committee was laid before the Legislative Council on the 18th March :-

The ACTING ATTORNET GENERAL Tt is The Public Works Committee have had unproposed now buildings, and that upon that secstall-holders be moved into it until the new market is finished in its entirety, when fresh arrangements may be made for the distribution of

The acquisition of the necessary site having been completed only quite recently, and there having been until now some uncertainty as to the area that would be available for temporary market purposes, the Committee have not been in a position to submit their recommendation'

> J. M. PRICE, Chairman. J. BELL-IRVING. C. P. CHATER. FREDERICK STEWART. A. LISTER.

CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTIO WITH THE WHIPPING ORDINANCE.

The following correspondence was presented to the Legislative Council on the 18th March :-EXTRACTS FROM SECRETARY OF STATE'S DESратон, No. 78, от 10ти December, 1836.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES TO THE OFFICER ADMINISTRAING THE GOVERNMENT OF HONGKONG.

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6.-I concur in the opinion which you have or ty small Coasting vessels not under the foreign flag, proceedings before the police magistrate can go mission. The remainder of the despatch refers the Class Coasting before the police magistrate can go mission. The remainder of the despatch refers the Class Coasting before the police magistrate can go mission. tices of the Peace, that it is not desirable to resort to cutting off the queues as a mode of punishment, and you should consider whether it may not be desirable to alter the prison regulation on the subject, so as not to allow the queues of Chinese sentenced to penul servitude to be out without special permission of the Governor, this being the practice which is followed

in the Straits Settlements. 7 .- I approve the suggested reductions in the scale of diet. No more food should be given to prisoners than is sufficient to keep them in good health and enable them to perform hard labour, when sentenced to it, and the Superintendent and Medical Officer must be held responsible for seeing that those conditions are fulfilled. I have

'(Signed) EDWARD STANHOPE.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1886. Sir.-We have the honour to acknowledge th receipt of your letter, No. 986, dated the 23rd instant, inviting us to express our views on certain recommendations made by the Commission recently appointed to enquire and report into

certain questions connected with the Gaol. In reply we bog to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, that we have assembled to gether for the consideration of the subject-matters of your letter above referred to, and after careful deliberation, have manimously arrived at the

following conclusions:junt year of the course taken in this matter and and witnesses heard before the Mag strate as is Court, and I remember some vary heavy sentences 1.—We cannot altogether agree with the said of opinion that such punishment for such ship, will accrue to the plaintiffs. I cannot, how- man v. Oakford was cited in argument, but the pincon, 13th year of Kwang Su. ment in the following cases:-

from women and children.

4.) Robbery with Violence, such as garrotting, letters or messages with the view of hindering the course of justice or the carrying out of public duties.

.) Being found armed with dangerous weapons without sufficient reason and excuse. (8.). Returning from Panishment. (9.) Armed attack on or forced entry into any dwelling house, shop. junk, &c.

2.-We do not consider the cutting off of the queues of prisoners to be an effective mode of punishment. With the respectable Chinese punishment on the following grounds :-

.) It would provent criminals from returning

against future repentance. on European dress, the prejudice against time was notually fixed during which the con- plaintiff suddenly left his employer without any hly removed by the Government. (4.) It is meaningless, and we cannot think of a.

most obedient Servants. The Honourable Frederick Stewart, Acting Colonial Secretary, &c., &c., &c.

SUPREME COURT.

17th March. -- IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON, SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO CHIEF JUSTICE. BRADLEY AND CO. V. RUSSPEL & Co., 87,500 Mr. Francis, QC, instructed by Mossrs. Sharp, Johnson, and Stokes, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Brereton, instructed by

Masses. Wotton and Deacon, for the defendants. This case was heard on the 10th instant and judgment was reserved. His Lordship now delivered the following judgment:-

persons non-resident under the style or firm that if the defendants firm wished to retain the March and if you remain till then you will get name of Bussell & Co. At the hearing, it was plaintiff's services they could do so for any term paid but if you don't an action will be brought pointed out that so far as the claim for damages not exceeding two years at the rate of £850 per against you for the breach." But he was not so was concerned the case seemed to be governed annum. The firm was to give notice and specify told, and the reasonable inference for him to by the case of Rhodes v. Forwood, L.R., 1 App. | the extended term for which they desired such ex- draw was that he would get his month's pay Cast, 256, and that the only question to be de- tended service. The plaintiff's term of three years at the end of the month. In Searle v. Ridley The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the Vorks Committee on the proposed temporary termined was as to the guarantee alleged to have expired on the 25th March, 1886, and no notice 28 L.J. N.S. 411, a case not cited at the hearing, been given by the defendants to the plaintiffs, and had been given of any extended term, and no new the plaintiff entered into the service of defendant that if the defendants were liable to the plaintiffs arrangement was made varying the amount of at a salary of £350 a year to be paid monthly. at all, it could be for no more than the amount salary which had been set out in the 6th clause Notice was to be given on either side of two gnaranteed and that as the agreement, if any, of the written agreement. It seemed to, be mouths to terminate the contract. During the arrived at, appeared upon the correspondence, mutually understood that the plaintiff was to first month the employer came to the conclusion there was no question of fact to be determined, continuous thendynneed salary. If the defendants that the plaintiff was not competent for the work. but only a question of law. Counsel on both intended to insist on plaintiff remaining on, they he undertook, and gave him the two months' sides having accepted this view, the special jury should have given notice, and fuiling to do so the notice, but did not dismiss him for incompetency. which had been empanuelled was discharged. The contract was at an entiat the plaintiff soption. But In the 2nd month he got further evidence of correspondence was then put in which consisted his option was to remain, and he did so without incompetency and discharged him at once. The of copies of letters which had passed between the asking better terms. On the 26th November the plaintiff sued for the month's wages and recoveplaintiffs and defendants and admitted to be plaintiff learned from Mr. Bell-Teving-who is a red. He then sued for the two months' wages and correct copies by the solicitors on both sides and, director of the Union Insurance Company—that defendant justified his dismissal on the ground. no further evidence was given. If the cor- that Company intended appointing a special agent of incompetency, and the Country Court Judge respondence had borne out the statements made at Melbourne. The plaintiff thought the appoint- dismissed the second action. The case was appealed in paragraph 4 of the petition, as to the agree- ment would suit him, and next day he begged and the Country Court Judge's decision was ment entered into between the parties, namely, Mr. Bell-Irving's support to an application which upheld, and Justice Blackburn said "one opinion that the defendants had appointed the plaintiffs he intended to make for the post, and Mr. Bell- is not asked upon the Judge's first decision, but to be their permanent agents in Swatow and Irving promised to consider the matter. On the I am inclined to think he was right there, agreed to employ them for a period of two years 1st December Mr. Bell-Irving wrote a note to the salary being paid monthly." Taylor v. cortain at the least, and had guaranteed that the effect that the appointment of a special agent Laird and Boulton v. Thompson also show the commissions to be paid should not be might depend on the outcome of some con- that a cause of section account months, less in any one year than \$5,000. I should ferences going on in London, but that he did not although in the latter case doubt was raised the plaintiffs, according to the case of Rhodes v. and going to the Union Insurance Co. as their voyage owing to a special agreement. I prefer

Rhodes v. Forwood, no minimum amount of ter before Mr. Bell-Irving "who did not wish that he did not think anything about whether commission was guaranteed. The correspondence, me to leave" but after caroful thought his own the firm was under the belief that they had his bowever, showed no such agreement for a period interests led him to be guided by his own feel- services for two years, he must have forgotton of two years certain, at the least, as stated in the ings. Mr. Macgregor replied next day that he his conversation with Mr. McClymont when he petition, noless it can be implied. The term was surprised to learn of the plaintiff's accept- said that although he was morally bound for two agreed upon was not definitely fixed. What both succe of an engagement from the Union Insur- years, yet he was not legally, and the question of parties agreed upon was that the agreement was succe Co., and stated that he thought plaintiff pay was a great deal to him the was legally. to be permanent and for a certain period of years was under a misconception as to his position bound for one wear with a right to get paid to be arranged thereafter. Mr. Francis con- with Jarding, Matheson & Co. In the absence monthly, and he was and is perhaps still liable. tended that this must, by necessary implication, of Mr. Bell-Irving for a short time he said he to an action for his breach of contract. I decide be taken to be at least two years, and he cited a could not, on behalf of the firm, agree to release in favour of the plaintiff's claim, but without passage from the judgment in the Bishop of Bath's, him. On the 1st January, Mr. Dear seems to costs. ease, 6 R.p., 326, which is as follows:—"But if a. have drawn his month's pay in advance as case, 6 Rep., 326, which is as follows:—"But it as nave drawn his invested about the mid-man leases this land for years, it is a good lease. usual. Mr. Bell-Irving returned about the mid-man leases this land for years, it is a good lease. usual. Mr. Bell-Irving returned about the mid-3.—On the evidence contained in the papers, for two years, because it shall be taken as good. the of that month, and on the 22nd a letter was now before me and in view of the strong con- for such a number with which at least the sont by the firm to the plaintiff in further answer on a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the more sensus of opinion on the subject existing in the plural number will be satisfied, and that is with to the letter of the 10th December, refusing to on a Din squared An Crime," I shall ask that Colony, I am prepared to approve a modification two years." There the agreement would have release him, and pointing out that his engagement of the law relating to corporal punishment in the been complete and the Court would, have to did not legally determine until the 25th March. from the Shen pac of the 11th inst :tion of penal servitude is passed. The one deed by the Commission. I consider that the of years to be hereafter agreed upon between the remarks of 1st December, says that he is morally the throne for 13 years, and during that time Courts may properly be authorized to impose parties, it might have received a totally different bound for two years, and finally "your connect the Empress Regent, in consideration of my this penalty in the cases specified in the first para construction, as, in the same indement occurs the fion with us cannot close before 25th March." extreme youth; consented to transact the imgraph of the letter of the Chinese Justices, ex. following passage:—"If one demises lands for The plaintiff replied to that on the 25th January. portant affairs of State behind a screen, so that cept the offence of "being found armed with such terms as both parties shall please, this is but stating that his agreement ended on the 25th I might devote myself to study and not disdangerous weapons, without sufficient reason and a lease at will, because the term is altogether un- March, 1886, and that notice should have appoint my ancestors in the administration of excuse." but I cannot sanction its imposition as certain." To come to more modern authorities been given him of the extended term, but the Government. For over ten years, the Emshould be a sort of co-operation between the lower land and identify by a Coroner's jury, and whereas no advantage of the China was proposed that he had no such notice. He then attempts press has been untiring in selecting wise men for however, upon the law of contract, it appears to that he had no such notice. He then attempts press has been untiring in selecting wise men for however, upon the law of contract, it appears to that he had no such a few like the law of contract the la now or prefer to postpone it until they have had the offence of returning from banishment. The me to be clear that no complete agreement was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the Government was to justify his action of the 10th December the 10th Decembe

that wholly independent of the Statue of Frands, hiring, the salary to be paid monthly. The pay- to be promoted one grade higher in rank. (5) show that the two parties had come to a final v. Oakford was relied on to show that the hiring are temporarily degraded or fined, shall be exother to be found in the Books, where, although the parties were agreed anon the main points,

there is a hardship upon them, which naturally, tract it seems to me he would have had a cause more; but, we have understood the Governor has one would regret to see occur, still the question of action at the end of each month. As the despatched a special officer to Shanghai to order remains—Was there or not a complete contract plaintiff would have had his remedy by action at the Arsenal there a dredger of smaller size entered into between the parties which both sides for wrongful dismissal, so the defendants might and according to the Governor's special fancy. could enforce. As I am of opinion that one of have had a co-extensive and commensurate rethe most important parts of the contract medy against the plaintiff for his breach of conrence. And we further oppose this mode of remained open to be agreed upon subsequently, tract. In the original contract they provided the following grounds that following grounds. and as it was impossible for any power to for his breach by a renalty. Here they had no tion of fertile Chinese brains that fear something compel both parties to agree, it follows from remedy unless instant dismissal or an action. terrible by the superiority of foreign methods to the mainland opposite, and perforce keep the authorities already referred to that there is Huttman r. Bullnois 2 C. and Payne is the only and the futility of Chinese notions. The Government of the first there is the mainland opposite, and perforce keep the authorities already referred to that there is Huttman r. Bullnois 2 C. and Payne is the only and the futility of Chinese notions. The Government of the first line is the only and the futility of Chinese notions. no contract upon which they can sue. The case which has been referred to, at all resem- nor, as yet, has not received Imperial orders. It would to a certain extent close the door plaintiffs, by their counsel, admitted that while bling the present one, and yet it is clearly disthey actually acted as agents they received more tinguishable. The other cases like Sanaders g. than the minimum amount of commission which Whittall are cases under special contracts of pass Ordinance as they could easily, hen put | would have accrued under the contract, and as no notice and forfeiture. In Huttman v. Bullnois

they have already received. The judgment of

the Court must therefore be for the defendants,

on pass in which posts should be asked-

19th March. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE RUSSELL.

Deacon (of Mossrs. Wotton and Deacon) for the the plaintiff. From the report of this case it; This case was heard on the 9th instant, and his did not remember that there had been payments Lordship now delivered judgment as follows :- made from time to time to him of salary. In £70 16 8 at 3/24 for salary carned and due treating his engagement to the Union Insurance.

E. E. DHARIV. JABDINE, MATHERON & Co.

ary, 1883, was Insurance Clerk or in any month's pay was not yet due and accepting his capacity in which he might be required "by the service for their own convenience allowed him to defendants firm in China or Japan for a period go on with his work. Was there not then an The plaintiffs in this case are merchants trad- of three years, the salary to be paid from date of implied promise to the effect that when he had ing together in co-partnership at Swatow under arrival and to be at the rate of £750 per annum earned his month's pay he would get it? I the style or firm name of Bradley & Co. The in the first two years, and £800 for the third think there was, and that the plaintiff was entidefendants are more hants resident in Hongkong year. The salary was to be paid quarterly. By thed to his month's salary. He might have been trading together in co-partnership with other the 6th clause of the agreement it was stipulated told "your contract does not expire till 25th

"Contracts are often incomplete from their an insurance clerk under Mr. Alford, a much less that under Her Majesty, a fact of which both the futher agreement has been come to. A con- sent in his draft for February salary, as usual. I trembled as if I was in mid-ocean, not tract to contract is nothing." He cites no author- It was returned with an endorsement "not yet knowing where the land is. Her Majesty ity for the proposition, except upon the possible due." He naturally thought that this meant will, however, continue to advise me, for a few exception which he makes, but in the numerous "until the end of the month when you have done years longer in important affairs of State. I cases which have arisen when the parties to an in- your work" and he continued and was allowed shall not dore to be indelent, and in obedience formal agreement have agreed that a more formal to continue till the end of the month under the to the Empress's command, I have patitioned instrument should be drawn up it has been held belief that he would be paid when the mouth was the Heaven and Earth and my ancestors that I that nuless the agreement is actually concluded. | up., At the end of the month he sent in his draft. | shall assume the administration of the governso that neither party can mise any fresh subject It was returned to him with a memo.—"No ment in person on the 15th day of the 1st moon, for discussion, neither party is bound by it. One salary due before 25th March." The writ was in the 18th year of my reign. Guided by the of the latest and most important cases upon the taken out on the 1st March: on the 2nd the counsel of Her Majesty, everything will be done subject is Hussey v. Horns Payne, L. R. 4 plaintiff offered to continue till the 25th, but this with care. The Princes and officials should be App. Cas/311, in which it was held that there offer was refused. What then is the nature of loyal, and should be diligent in reporting the was no completed contract—See the judg- the contract between the parties and what are requirements of the people. Then the nation ments of Lord Cairns, p. 321and of Lord their rights and obligations under it? Under will be peaceful, and the Empress has not taught Selborne, p. 323, But there are other au- the contract of 1883 the plaintill was to serve for me in vair. The Government of the Empire therities bearing specifically upon the very three years—at a sulary payable quarterly, which has been handed down to me alone, by Heaven question. Ridgway v. Wharton, 6 H. L. Cas. as a matter of fact was paid monthly in advance. and my succestors, and I consider the welfare of Lord. Winsleydalesays at p. 304—"An agreement The defendants had the option of retaining the my people and officials as my own. I have to be finally settled must comprise all the terms plaintiff's services at £850 for two years longer; thought fit to grant the following favours: which the parties intend to introduce into the or any shorter time which they might name. He (1) The graves of the Emperors and the temple agreement. An agreement to enter into an was bund under a ponelty of £1,000 to perform of Confucius are to be worshipped by the officials agreement to be afterwards settled between the the stipulations of that agreement. Nothing with the customary ceramonies. (2) The temples parties is a contradiction in terms. It is absurd was said or done at the end of the three years of the Gods of the Mountains and Seas, etc., are to say that a man enters into an agreement till so as to specify the nature of the hiring, to be repaired by the local officials as a token of the terms of that agreement are settled. Until but the plaintiff continued in employment draw-respect. (3) Both Mahchu and Chinese dutiful these terms are settled he is perfectly at liberty ing the increased salary and payable monthly. sons and grandsons, as well as chaste husbands. at p. 1151: "Iquite agree with the Lords Justices stances of the case and by a rule of law a yearly tion. (4) All the Civil and Military Officials are

and complete agreement, for, if not, there was was monthly and therefore determinable at a empted from their sentence. (6) The orno contract. So long as they are only in nego- month's notice. That case, however, went upon plans, the poor, and sick people of all the tiation, neither party may retract; and though the fact that the plaintiff had been previously in Provinces are to be specially eared for by the parties may have agreed upon all the cardi- defendant's employ when the hiring was a month- the local officials, and houses should be built nal points of the intended contract, yet if some ly one, and the jury found that the new hiring for them to live in. (7) Soldiers, who are particulars essential to the agreement still remain was the same as the former. It is contended over seventy years of age, are each to be to be settled afterwards, there is no contract." I see that if the hiring was a yearly one the notice allowed one son to take care of them, and to be also Appleby v. Johnson, L.R.Q.C.P., 158, a case given was reasonable, and the same case is relied. exempted from military service. (8) The imperhaps more similar to the present than any on, and also Creed v. Wright 1 C.P D. is cited portant roads and bridges of all the Provinces as showing that a general hiring may be ended are to the repaired by the local officials; under by a reasonable notice. Buckingham v. The the instruction of the Governors. These first Surrey and Hunts Canal Co. was a case where orders are given for the benefit of the people, eussion. I am sorry to have to come to this con- plaintiff was employed at a salary of £500 a year, and let every one be aware. Stamped by the ral Punishment for simple largeny. We are clusion, because I think that considerable hard. He was dismissed with three months' notice. Fair Emperor's seal, on the 15th day of the lat offences is unnecessarily severe. We would, ever, make an agreement for them which they Court held that the general rule is that when the however, strongly recommend Corporal Punish did not make for themselves, and there are hiring is a yearly one it cannot be put an end-tono means that I know of which could have before the end of the year unless there is a been taken to have compelled either of the parties custom as to notice. There was no evidence of (2.) Old Offenders, having had two previous con- to have fixed the term which stood over for custom and the plaintiff recovered. There is no arrangement. If the defendants had proposed custom here as to notice, and I am of opinion 3.) Earring snatching and snatching things two years, it is quite possible that the plaintiffs that the contract could not be legally put an end would have thrown up the agreement rather than to by notice on the part of either. Suppose the snow-storms known for eight on ten years, bringhave consented to it, and yet this is the term that defendants had wrongfully dismissed Mr. Dear ing increased suffering to the poor dwellers in they want me to fix now, under the circumstances and banded him a month's pay—or dismissed him straw-mit tents along by or on the banks of the that have happened, as having been arranged with three months notice, is it likely that a jury Yellow River. In the last few days, only some (6.) Intimidation and the sending of threatening between them. That they felt it was the weak would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city, has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city has occurred another would have thought such notice or pay sufficient five miles from the city has been considered another would be considered another w point in their position is evidenced by their in an action for wrongful dismissal. It seems opening in the bank north of the River. If letters of 25th September, 1884, and 13th to me clear that they would have considered Mr. the waters can overflow now, what may we ex-June, 185. As to the bardship, the remarks Dear was engaged for a year if not for two with peet later on, when the torrents of unmanagoable of Lord Cairns in the case of Rhodes v. Forwood u salary to be paid monthly. The fact of, his mountain streams; and summer rains, come apply equally to the present case, (see L.R., 1) getting his salary monthly, would not be a bar to App. Cas. 261,) as it seems to me that the hard- his getting probably six months' damages. In the reforms is the neglect to open up sufficiently ship was almost exactly similar in that case to original contract he was engaged for three years. the month of the River. English, French, and the hardship alleged in this, But, as is said in As each quarter fell due he had a cause of action German merchants have made overtures to the somewhat similar terms in that case, although for a quarter's salary, and under the new con-

having the queue out off having been forci- tract was to last. I am of opinion that they are notice. He was a clerk to be paid £100 per legally entitled to no more remuneration than year. He had served seven mouths, and had been paid apparently at intervals up to 9th November, it does not appear how, and he left on Slat Janeffectual.—We have the honour to be your but under the circumstances of the case, as this wary without asking for pay or giving actice. He

non-suited on two grounds—let that the hir was yearly and he had not fulfilled his engagement, and 2nd that he had threatened his master; but the same Judge, Lord Tenterdan, was dissatisfied with his decision evidently, for he granted a new trial, and pointed out to the plaintiff s counsel that an action would lie against the plaintiff for breach of contract. That was admitted, and, on the auggestion of the Judge, the Mr. Wilkinson (of Messes. Caldwell and defendant paid the £15, no costs on either side, Wilkinson) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. anddefendantundertook not to take action against would seem that the Judge in the first instance The plaintiff claims payment of \$440.18= the present case instead of dismissing him or for the month of February, 1887. The Company as a breach of contract the defendants plaintiff engaged himself in London in Janu- on the 1st February told the plaintiff that the

have been inclined to hold that although see his way in any case to his leaving the Canton whether the action would be till the end of the Forwood, could not recover anything from the special agent at Melbourne, and that probably to decide this case on the ground that although defendants for non-performance of the agreement; if the Union sent a man the Canton would send the plaintiff might have been dismissed, the as there was no binding arrangement that the de- one, and that he, Mr. Dear, would likely get the defendants allowed him to work for the month fendants would send up their ships, or would fix billet. The plaintiff had in the meantime made of February, apparently to suit their own contheir rates of freight at a rate which would enable a verbal application to the Union, but on getting venience (and undoubtedly it may have been the plaintiffs to earn commissions, yet, if they had the memo, referred to above, at once, withdrew it, very incomvenient to lose his services) and upon entered into a definite agreement for 2 years, and and begged that it might be distinctly under- the understanding, at all events on his part, that guaranteed a commission of \$5,000 each year they stood that no action would be taken by him con- he would be paid at the end of the month. would have been liable upon their guarantee if trary to the wishes of Mr. Bell-Irving, and that Nevertheless had he left on the 1st of March from any cause, even the sale of their steamers. he would be guided by his decision. On the 7th without any warning I am of opinion he should they put it out of their power to enable the plain- December, however, three days after Mr. Boll- have recovered his February salary. With tiffs to earn any commission, or less than the Izving left the Colony, he applied for the Mel- reference to Mr. Dear's action in going back guaranteed amount. Mr. Brereton contended hourns Union Agency, inwriting, and got the ap- upon his letter of the 1st December, I don't that the agreement would even then have been pointment on the 10th December. No intimation think the reasons are satisfactory. If he put an end to by the sale of the ships, as in of the application had been made to Mr. Mac. had been misled by Mr. Keswick he could the case of Rhodes v. Forwood by the sale gregor, who was in charge of the firm's business. have given up at the end of three years, but he of the colliery, and that the guarantee was But on the 10th the plaintiff addressed the went on without remark, and Mr. Bell-Irving had only to last during the continuance of the firm saving be had been appointed and would ter- told him that he could not let him go to the agreement, but this case differs from the case, minute his sarvice with the firm on the 28th Fe- Union Insurance in any case. When he says of Rhodes v. Forwood, because, in the case of bruary. He says that he had brought the met- that he only remained to better his position, and

DECREE. The Courier translates the following Decree

it is a necessary part of the plaintiff's case to ments were so made up to February. Fairman The Civil and Military Officials in Peking who

CHE-NAN-RU, 20th February.

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The winter has brought one of the heaviest strongly opposed to this plan, for well they know the burdens which would then fall on them. If that idea should be sanctioned, we may find in the future two Yellow Rivers scourging China. When the science of the matter is learned, not only Shautang and China may rejoice, but wes . subsequently applied for 215 which was the tern influence will be recognised, and this is just Co. were invited to bring it. I do not think it is amount he claimed for services rendered; it was what many an active grasping mandarin detests. refused. He brought su setion. Abbet C. J.



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Per Benglos, str., from Saigon.-6 Chinese. Per Tritos, str.; from Saigon.-37 Chinese. DEPARTED.

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LIMITED. ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1886.

ONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to Furnish the undersigned with a LIST OF THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1886, in order that the CHINESE ENGINEERING AND the DISTRIBUTION OF BONUS may be MINING Co. at this Port to Mr. R. M. arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March instant, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED, Hougkong, 2nd March, 1887.

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1886, and that of Mr. PAUL GERHARD NOW READY MAIL TABLES

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NEW ORIENTAL BANK THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

> FINHE FOURTH OBDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, THIS DAY (Tuesday), the 22nd Report of the General Managers, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st / March to 5th April, inclusive.

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 22nd March, 1887. THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS --kong, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, 1887, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive the Report of will not be recognized. the Directors, together with Statement of

The TRANSFER BOOKSwill be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th March both days

Secretary. Hongkong, 8th March, 1887.

YOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA

RESOLUTIONS. SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, be increased from \$900,000 to \$1.500,000 by the instant, will be subject to rent. be issued at par.

per cent, per annum. -The holder of each of the said new shares shall be entitled to participate in the profits

terests of the Company. and these lands transferred into the Com-

pany's name. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

HONGKONG HOTEL COM PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE ORDINARY HALF YEARLY be held at the Company's Hotel, on MONDAY, the 4th April, 1887, at HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, for the purpose of receiving the Accounts and Report of the Directors and declaring a Dividend. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 21st March to 4th LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Secretary.

SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

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NOTICES\_TO CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London

March, at HALF-PAST THE EE O'CLOCK IN THE Antwerp, and Havre Ex S. S. "YORQU' AFTERNOON, for the purpose of receiving the BA," and from Bordeaux Ex S.S. "CAMBRAI," in connection with the above Steamer, are horeby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY (SUNDAY), requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 28th TR. G. R. LAMMER'T will Sell by Public TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING to rent and landing charges at One Cent per All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 30th instant, (WEDNESDAY), or they

> · G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Hongkong, 20th March, 1887. THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

LIMITED. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE HE Company's Steamship

CHINGWO. having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods May. have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before Noon on the 26th instant; or they will not be

recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any goods remaining in the Godowns after the 26th Optional cargo will forward d unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon to-day. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KRHERG & Co.,

Hongkong, 19th March, 1887. "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES SS. "GLAMORGANSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LON-DON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. ONSIGNEES of Cargo are bereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded anless notice to the centrary be given before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

No Chains will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 26th instant, will be subject to rent at the rate of one cent per package per day. All claims against the steamer must be pre sented to the undersigned on or before the 26th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hougkong, 19th March, 1887. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S. S. "LENNOX," such Persons, upon such terms, and in such FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PE-NANG AND SINGAPORE ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods, with heexception of Opium, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns howloon; whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

notice-to-the-contrary-be given before 4 F.M., No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 24th instant, will be subject to rent at the rate of One cent per package per day. All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the

24th instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 17th March, 1887.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. S. S. "FLINTSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, LONDON, AND. SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company-at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained Optional cargo will be landed here, auless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 23rd instant, will be subject to rent at the rate of One Cent per package per day, All Claims ugainst the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Agents. 'Hongkong, 16th March, 1887. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVI GATION COMPANY, LIMITED. TAVIA, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON.

THE Company's Steamship having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s West Point Godowns, whence delivery may

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 22nd

instant, will be subject to rent No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th March, 1887. TOCONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO

EX 0. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "TITAN," FROM LIVERPOOL. CHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 22nd inst., for shipment per steamer "DIOMED." BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents

Hongkong, 16th March, 1887. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TITAN." are hereby notified that the Cargo is being dis-THE Undersigned. Agents for Messrs, charged into Craft, and/or landed at the E.E. ABRAHAMSON & Co., Sandakan, Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it

> Goods undelivered after the 24th instant, will be subject to Rent. BUTTERFIELD & SWIEE, Agents. Hongkong, 16th March, 1887.

AUCTIONS.

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PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STORER EEPER, to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW, the 23rd March, 1887, at, Noon, at H. M. Naval Yard,

SUNDRY NAVAL & VICTUALLING CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising :--OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF, CANVAS PRAPS, and IMPLEMENTS.

TERMS OF SALE .- As Customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG. Govt. Anctioneer. Hongkong, 21st March, 1887. PUBLIC AUCTION.

Anction, on the 25th March, 1887, at 3 P.M., on the Company's Premises at Bowrington, THE WHOLK OF THE MACHINERY AND FITTINGS

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY: 1 HORIZONTAL ENGINE. 1 CORNISH BOILER suitable DRIVING the MACHINERY. A. O'D. GOURDIN, Hongkoug Steam Laundry at EIGHT A.M.

Company, (Limited.) Hongkong, 7th March, 1887. TO BL LET.

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OOMS IN "COLLEGE CHAMBERS." No. 16. HOLLTWOOD, ROAD. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 30th July, 1886. TO LET.

HE GODOWN known as No. 3, BLUE RULEDINGS, with Immediate Possession. ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, 18th March, 1887.

TO. S. WEST TERRACE. From 1st, G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 12th March, 1887.

TO BE LET. TWO COMMODIOUS RESIDENCES Nos. 2 & 6. High Street. Monthly rental! 830 each. With Immediate Possession.

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of the Kowleon Wharf & Gedown Company at FILLE COMMODIOUS 6 - ROOMED 1 DWELLING and SPACIOUS GODOWN at Bowrington, known as the Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless Hongkong Steam Laundry's Premises. Apply to

A. O'D. GOURDIN Hongkong Steam Laundry Company, (Limited). Hongkong, 7th March, 1887

TO BE LET. A LARGE 6 ROOMED BUNGALOW with GARDEN and OUT ROUSES at

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WITH EARLY POSSESSION. NO. THE WEST' CORNER HOUSE No. ALBANY TRERACE. 6 ROOMS, GABDEN, WATER and GAS. Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS. Hongkong, 17th Murch, 1887.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUL AND TAIWANFOO. THE Company's Steamship "FOR TOSA."

Captain Harris, will be despatched for the above Ports TO MORROW, the 23rd inst., at DAYLIGHT, justead of as previously advertised For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Gereral Mauagers. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1887

FOR HAIPHONG. THE Steamship

"SART-IE." Porteau, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORHOW, the 23rd instant. at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.,

Hongkong, 21st March, 1887. FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK. THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. THE Company's Steamer.

Captain P. Have, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 23rd just., For Freight or Passage, apply to.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1887 INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW. Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates

for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG, HANkow and Ports on the YANGTSZE). THE Company's Steamship KUTSANG," Captain Young, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., at THEER P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Manugers. Hongkong, 22nd March, 1887. FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. THE Spanish Steamer

Captain Marquez, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., at FIVE P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BRANDAO & Co., Hongkong, 22nd March, 1887.

"DON JUAN."

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW, and Ports on the YANGTSZE). THE Company's Steamship "DIOMED,"
Captain Bigley, will be despatched as above

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

on MONDAY, the 28th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 21st March, 1887. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY. LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY, AND THE Company's Steamship " CHINGTU." J. D. C. Arthur, Commander, will be designtched

as above on WEDNESDAY, the Both instant, nt-DAYLIGHT, ——— '- — The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply. of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents Hongkong, 21st March, 1887. WANTED. PORTUGUESE ASSISTANT able to

speak the Chinese Dialects. Must have

had a General Mercantile Experience and not

object to travel if required. Apply by letter with copies of Testimonials to MAMMON. Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 12th March, 1887.

HANDSOME REWARD. TOR INFORMATION which will lead to the DISCOVERY of, alive or proof of death of, CHARLES SHAVE, Cook and Confectioner. born in Cousin St. Mayfair, London, West End, about the year 1817. He sailed from East, India docks in November, 1852, as Cook on [562] Steamship Parston, Captain Duulop, for Hong. kong, where he arrived and was paid off in the early part of 1853. "SHAVE" (who had left his Wife and Family in London), was last heard of about this time being then in great destitution from dehauchery and seeking admission, in a dying state, to the Hospital in Hongkong. Prompt information is urgent to JAMES J. LONERGAN, Care of THOMAS RICE, Esq., 79,

Forbes Street, Woolloomooloo, Sydney, New South Wales, or Cara of Daily Press Office. HONGKONG AMATEUR

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

1 8 8 7. .The above Sports will take on the CRICKET GROUND. SATURDAY.

the 2nd April, 1887 when the following Events will be competed for :--3.—120 yards Handioap.......2 4.—High Jump 5.-Quarter Mile Flat Race...... 2 6 .- Throwing the Cricket Ball 7.—One Mile Walking Race ......... 2 8.—Soldiers' Half Mile Race ......3 9.-Half Mile Race, (Handicap) ..... 2 10,-120 yards Hurdle Race

11. Boys' Race, 200 yards (Handicap) for Boys under 15; open to European Schools ......3 12.—Long Jamp ..... (Handicap). Open to all, 35 years old, and of 10 years residence in the East

14.—Three-Legged Race..... 15 .- 300 yards Race · (Handicap) ...... 16.—One Mile Flat Race...... 2 17.—Consolation Raco...... 18.—International Tug of War.....1 With the exception of Events Nos. 8 & 11 the above are open to all Gentlemen Amateurs who are Members or Visitors of the Hongkong Clab, Club Germania, Hongkong Cricket Club, Ladies' Recreation Club, and the Victoria

Recreation Club, and also to Commissioned-Naval and Military Officers. Intending Competitors are requested to send in their entries (on Entry Forms which can beobtained from the Undersigned) to the Hou. Secretary, not later than SATURDAY NEXT, 26th instant, on which duto entries Close. H. F. HAYLLAR,

Hon Secretary. Hongkong, 21st March, 1887.

Secretary. HONGKONG HOTEL CO. LIMITED. Hongkong, 1st March, 1887. longkong, 26th August, 1885.

Secretary.

Account to 31st December, 1886. By Order of the Board,

SAML. J. GOWER. CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, 1887, at 12 o'clock (Noon), when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the EXTRACRDIN-ARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company hold on the 10th of March, 1887, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Reso utions.

issue of 6,000 New Shares of 3100 each, to 2.-That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the Allottee on the 31st Merch, 1887, together with the sum-of \$2 for each Share by way of interest on such Share from the 1st January, 1887, to the 31st Murch, 1887, at the rate of \$8

of the Company as from the 1st January, 1887, equally with the holders of the present. Capital of \$900,000. That the said new shares be offered in the first place in such manner and at such times as the General Agents shall think tit to the Persons who shall, on the 25th day of February, 1887, be the registered holders of the old, or present, Shures in the proportion following, that is to say, two New Shares shall be offered to every helder of a complete number of three of the said old or present Shares, and shall be accepted or not within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents, and that any new share or shares offered in manner aforesaid; and not accepted within the time so limited, and also any share or shares which the General Agents shall have been unable to offer in manner aforesaid by reason of their being no holder, or holders, of a complete number or complete numbers of three of the said old or present shares, shall be disposed of and allotted by the General Agents and Consulting Committee at such times, to

manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion think best in the in--That the purchase of Inland Lots Nos. 729 and 730, Victoria, Hongkong, at the agreed price of \$60,000 be now formally confirmed

Hongkong, 10th March, 1887.

MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will

Hongkong, 12th March, 1887.

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DU NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that ORIGINAL SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 1362 dated 1st. December, 1885, for SEVEN SHARES in the above Company Nos. 35586/35592 standing in name of CHAN KAI MING of Hongkong has been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 26th instant a Duplicate Certificate will be issued to the said CHAN KAI

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INTIMATION. NOW READY. HRONICLE AND DIRECTOR With which is incorporated THE CHINA DIRECTORY. TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ISSUE), Complere, with Appendix, Plans, &c., &c., Royal 8vo., pp. 1,156 ..... \$5.00. SMALLER EDITION, Ryl. 8vo., pp. 776 .....\$3.00

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At Shanghoi, on the 15th March, 1887, the wife P. LATHAM, Barrister-at-law, of a son.



Hongkons, March 22nd, 1887. of man of war accorded to the French and for this port. German mail steamers. Formerly very grave inconvenience and some injustice resulted from the manner in which the privileges ac- noon for this port. corded were used by the French vessels, and these privileges would probably have been this respect. When application was made performed without a hitch of any kind. last year by the German Government for Majesty's Government, before acceding to for Vienus. the application, asked for and received an undertaking that the commanders and conserv facilities to the local authorities in relation to Customs regulations and judicial process, and would not claim to exercise the privilege in question to the detriment of public justice or of public rights." Lord ROSEBERY, in his despatch to Count HATZthe time when the Trench line of the Messageries Maritimes first began torun to India and China difficulties have constantly arisen in

steamers of that Company insisting, with their strictest sense, and so as to defeat the course of criminal justice and to deprive in Singapore, and Caylon between the indicial authorities and the Messageries Maritimes Indeed Her Majesty's Government would (formerly Amatista), Captain Andersen, arriv bave been compelled to determine the Postal Act. XXXVII. were it not that the more regiven to the Commanders of the French postal steamers have prevented a renewal of the complaints of the Colonial Governments." The question is whether any practical inprivileges enjoyed by the French and German mail steamors under the existing conditions. Our correspondent speaks of "halo of superiority" conferred on the foreign steamers by those privileges, but if nothing more substantial than a halo is involved we think the matter may well be allowed to rest where it is. Until the agree. ment with the French took the complexion it now bears we never ceased to protest against [ what was a substantial injustice; but all cause of complaint seems to have been now there can be little doubt, judg from the tope of Lord ROSEBERY's despaich, that the Postal Convention would be brought high officer to see that they continue to

to an end and foreign steamers would cease to enjoy the privileges now accorded to them. The reason advanced by Germany for asking degradation who have been reported unfavourfor those privileges are stated as follows :--"The steamers age bound to transport, free of cost, criminals from abroad to Germany. As, according to British law, such criminals, on the 8th August, was wrecked shortly after when the steamer touches at a British color her departure on the island of Samasana, nial port, might demand a hearing before a British judge, thus delaying, the course of that last August a vessel went ashore there. law and preventing the prompt delivery of The crew put off in boats, but instead of the mail, the Imperial Government lays great The same night there was a typhoon, and stress on these steamers being looked upon the ship broke up. A small tin box of tes whichas in some sense man-of-war." Now this the natives had picked up was brought on to colony is certainly not interested in interfer- lieved to have formed part of the cargo of the but simply through ignorance. The first wit- Garrison, the Chief Justice, and a large number ing between Germany of France and their crim: Abbie Carver. As the vessel has not been heard inals. But, as pointed out by Count BISMARCH of as having arrived at her destination it is toin the extract we have just given, if the North | wrecked, and it is to be feared that all on board German Lloyds' steamer's did not possess some such privilege as that asked for, they would be unable to carry criminals, for the of establishing a German bank in Japan is one latter would be able to sue out writ of habeas corpus in a British port, It may be remembered that some time ago the Government of Netherlands India deported several Chinese and sent them by a tablishment of a German bank in Japan would merchant steamer bound to Amoy. The prove advantageous for all parties concurred. pointed out discrepancies between his translation steamer called at Hongkong on its way, and the Chinese seized the opportunity of ap- whether a new German bank would be able to the sentences are taken from the classics and Chi-

ent by a man-of-war, but why put the respective Governments to the expense of sending one of their war ships on a special voyage when there are mail steamers running which will answer the purpose equally well? By exempting such steamers from the ordinary process of our courts in this matter we oblige the respective Governments concerned and in no way injure ourselves. Britain holds commanding points on all the world's great highways, but it is her policy has been thoroughly revised and brought up and interest to throw no impediment in the use of those highways by all nations. A S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED. dog in the manger policy would excite jealonsvicreate rival interests, and tend to undermine the commanding position we hold. Any privilege asked for by Foreign Governments which does not give the vessels of such Governments an unfair advantage over WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS, AND British ships or interfere with the course of justice should be cheerfully granted. Formerly the privilege accorded to the French mail brig on 3rd March when the assault occurred. steamers, was used in such a way as to interfere with the course of justice and to exempt those vessels from obligations incumbent on the first mate, if the two water casks were filled. Murphy, private; were charged with assaulting British yessels; and while that was so i now been changed and the real cause of the protest removed. Such at least we believe foreign vessels an advantage over British vessels it would be the duty of the unofficial members of Council to oppose, as "Fairunder consideration by the legislature. ie cannot do this we fail to see why the Bills should not be allowed to pass. question of sentiment cannot be imported into the matter, because British vessels enjoy quiralent privileges in French ports.

The Agents (Messra Jardine, Matheson & Our correspondent " Fairplay " once more Co. inform us that the Glea Line steamer Glearaises the much vexed question of the status orchy, from London, left Singapore yesterday

> The Agents (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) inform us that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Diomed, from Liverpool, left Singapore on Sunday after. abusing them and using the most disgusting lau- prisoned.

safely reached its destination at the Gap station den the ship's chronometer and accused them of which is still pending, against Chun Ayat; withdrawn had not a change been made in | yesterday afternoon, the journey having been the theft. He made arrangements with the Con- alias Loung Ayow, the chief witness in the case, A German contemporary says that the Ja-

similar privileges to be accorded to the panese Marine Minister, Count Saigo, has been visiting Herr Krupp's Essen establishment, vessels of the North German Lloyds, Her The Japanese Prince Komatsu has left Berlin The charge of murder, which was brought

against Inspector Quincy by the relatives of agents of the Company would give, " all ne- the man whom he accidentally shot, on the afternoon of Sunday, March 13th, while firing his revolver to prevent the escape of a man whom he was pursuing, was yesterday withdrawn. In another column we reproduce an article

the timber trade between North Borneo and this colony. The same article also makes mention of these statements, FELDT, dated 26th April last, said :- " From other branches of business, in the young settlegold mining as good. The Hongkong Sketching Club had their castle. All the witnesses that have been called

Below says :- "It is a fact that the missionnies imputed to him by defendants, although percertain cases private individuals of their civil in Annam have looked with an unfavourable eye haps they were not strictly parliamentary in the minds of the Chinese and of the public A voluminous correspond. on the arrival of the French, aspecially on ac- or such as might be used in the Royal Navy, I masters of trade, and this explains their antipathy flicts which have occurred at Hongkong, They are doing their atmost to maintain the resent state of insurrection.

here vesterday marning. She has on board M D. M. Henderson, engineer-in-chief of the Convention with France by notice under Imperial Maritime Customs. He has come down here, we believe, for the purpose of making survey of the Gap Rock, on which it is proposed cent, instructions which appear to have been to build the lighthouse to light the southern approach to the island. It is to be hoped that an early commencement of the work may be made.

Dr. Marques d'Oliveira and Senhor Horta e Costa two officials of Macao appointed to make a study and report upon the best plan for the justice is done to British shipping by the construction of a new gaol for Macao, came to Hongkong yesterday forencen and proceeded visit the Victoria Gaol. They were taken roun the institution and shows all its departments by Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, the Acting Superi tendent, who also gave them all information they required. At the end of the visit they expressed themselves very pleased with what they

> His Excellency Chang Chih tung, Viceroy of the Two Kwang, appears to be still keeping a sharp eye on his officials, watching their doings In the Pelsing, Gazette of the 20th ult. is published an Imperial Decree acknowledging the receipt of a Memorial from the Viceroy reporting favourably upon a number of depart ment and district magistrates to His Majesty Should difficulties agein arise, and praying that to Decree may be issued com mending them for their good conduct. The Decree proceeds to name each of the officials of whom the Viceroy speaks well, and exhorts that instant in well doing, and do not lapse from liligent' beginning into an idle ending. second Decree sentences a number of officers to

> > ably apon by the Viceroy. News has been received which leaves little doubt that the American barque Abbie Carver, Captain Pendleton, which left here for Callac to the east of Formesa. Some of the natives anding on the island stood out to. sea.

Hongkong by the steamer Formosa, and is belerably certain that she is the one the natives saw ost their lives in the subsequent typhoon:

that has been mooted now for a considerable essential points. I have seen an article, similar period, but as yet has taken no definite shape. A | to the one complained-of, in the issue of a paper correspondent who has been residing a short time from the same office, published November 22nd, in that country and has made a particular point 1875. Many of the sentences of the article, in gathering opinions and information on the the present case, are taken from the Chinese question, comes to the conclusion that the es. classics and standard works. He answers several self-imposed questions in sup. and the one put in by the prosecution.

plying to the Supreme Court bere and ob- procureasufficiently remunerative trade, he points ness standard works. Some of the phrases are out that the foreign trade of Japan for the year taken from the Book of Changes. Others are taining their release. So if German or 1884 amount dinvalue to 247, 0 ,000 Mks., which, taken from the Sayings of Mencius, and the Book Freuch criminals are sent, say from Shang- considering the size of the country, may be taken of Odes. hai to Germany by France, the steamers as evidencing a comparatively large trade. Hung Han Chung was next called and stated Further, that foreign banks may profitably re.—I am the editor of the paper in question. convexing them must necessarily touch at aliza by a portion of this trade is proved by the I wrote the article complained of. It was taken several Brilish ports on the way, at any one existence of four English banks, and one French from a former paper. Wong Tan was the editor ever, to quell the riot, and succeeded in doing of which the criminals could claim their bank, which have been established in Japan for of the paper at that time. According to Chinese this without any loss, only one soldier being some time. The business done by foreign banks ideas there is no obscenity in it. It would wounded. One of the principal ringlesders of liberty. It is only reasonable that Foreign is exclusively confined to the foreign import and be considered by them a highly cultivated Governments should have the privilege of export trade. There is a brisk inland trade go- article. I can produce the books from which conveying their criminals through British ing on between the four islands, but this is almany of the phrases are taken. (The books were for trial and punishment together in the hands of the natives. The writer here produced by witness): The article was ports without their being brought under the points out that the bank would not have any written as a satire on the oustons of the joice. jurisdiction of the local courts, which un dealings with Japanese merchants; the other Japanese. der such circumstances can only housed to de- siderably worse off by their experiments, and a tion of the article marked, one sentence only is feat the ends of justice. The criminals could be | German bank would profit by this experience. | from the clayeles.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."] LONDON, 19th March. THE CLOSURE BILL. The Closure Rule has been adopted by the

House of Commons. THE CONDITION OF IRELAND. It is reported that the state of affaired in Ireland is getting worse.

> POLICE COURT. 21st March.

BEFORE ME. E. MACKEAN.

ALLEGED MUTINY ON BOARD SHIP. Stowart, was renewed.

seouted; the prisoners were undefended.

On thedate named, about a quarter past six, I was taking my tea in the cabin, when the captain came on board. I heard him ask Mr. Ritter, seaman; John Dawson, private; and Patrick not in a fit state to be filled with fresh water. execution of his duty.

the captain using bad language.

the captain was perfectly sober. In reply to Jonson-I did not hear you have any words with the captain about the casks." Re-examined by Mr. Webber-I had not been

on shore on the day the assault occurred. No further witnesses being called in reply to g'uted they had been systematically ill treated dur- | \$3 to the complainant as compensation. ing the whole time they were on board the brig. In the case of the first two prisoners, the fines That the captain never spoke to them without were paid; but Dawson and Murphy were imguage towards them. That they had never been allowed any water to wash in during the whole The boiler for the Peak Tramway engine voyage. That the captain had purposely hid-next, in order to allow the charge of perjury, sul at Manila that they should be shipped on to to be first disposed of. another vessel which had a had name. That when the captain came on board they had gone aft, the defence, asked that the prisoners might be at the request of the stoward, who was going to | discharged, or failing this, allowed out on bail. ask the captain to see the Consul next morning. casks were slean they told him that one of them | be convicted of perjury, he should consider that had obtained half a pot of wine from one of the | no case has been made out against defendants, casks that morning. That after some further and they would then be discharged. (Sunderland), seized him by the throat, and struck him twice. That the other defendants then came to his assistance and struck the captain. That they had been in the prison at Manila | [We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinion eleven days, and that while there the whole of

their clothes, which had been left on board, had from the British North Borneo Herald in which an interesting account is given of the growth of been stolen. The other defendants having corroborated Mr. Webber said I do not think it necessary. ment and appears to consider the prospects of your Worship, to make any answer to the statement we have just heard. There is no doubt that the whole story is a concection of the fore-

twenty-ninth Exhibition at the City Hall yes- have been distinctly hostile to the captain, and the application of Art. V. of the French Con- terday afternoon. Owing to St. Andrew's Hall yet not one has been able in any way, to subregation by reason of the commanders of the being in the builder's hands, the pictures were set 'stantiate the statements of defendants. First out in the dress circle of the Theatre. Though as to the statement that the captain came aboard. not large—there being only sixty two exhibits— drunk; the first mate states distinctly that the definite term of years. It is really marvellous the support of French Consuls, upon ex- the show was a fairly good one, but we missed captain was perfectly sober, while the second erciving the privileges conferred by it in the names of some well known amateurs from mate-rays be could not say for certain, but he the great and ever increasing foreign comrather thinks that he was sober. Secondly, as i to the language used by the captain. Even. The Saigon correspondent of the Indépendance assuming that he did use the expressions ! state that they came aft at the request of the steward, who himself has stated that he has no recollection of calling them there, and when they had certainly no right to be There is no doubt they fore that they went aft for the purose of assaulthur the captain. The first office has stated that when the assault cocurred he was unable to do anything to interfere, and that for the time being the ship was in the hands of the fondants. Under these circumstances, and

> shment it is in your power to give. His Worship reserved his judgment til CHARGE OF MURDER AGAINST AN INSPECTOR On this case being called for hearing, in which Inspector Quincey, is charged with the murder of man whom he accidentally shot, while in the pursuit of a person supposed to have committed a felony, Mr. Dennys, who appeared for the resecution, appropried that he had been instructed by the relatives of the deceased to bring no further evidence and to withdraw the charge. Mr. Caldwell, who appeared for the defence,

considering the gravity of the case. I trust that

your Worship will award them the heaviest pun-

BEFORE ME. H. E. WODEROUSE.

having no objections to offer, the charge was

The further hearing of this case was resumed. The Crown Solicitor, Mr. A. B. Johnson, prosecuted; Mr. Webber (from the office of Mr. Ewens) appeared for the defence.

Mr. Webber said-I take objection in the first place to the summ one, in as much as the summons. Farm remains unadjudicated. hould contain the words which are complained of I obscene. Secondly, I submit that the translation is altogether incorrect, and that the article complained of has been published in the colony once before, in a previous issue of the paper which it now appears. It was published on 22nd November, 1875, and no notice was then taken I contend also that nearly the whole aricle is taken from standard works or the classics of the Chinese. Even supposing that your Worship is against me and decides that the moral customs of the Chinese. The trunslation which has been made by the prosecution is

ness I shall call, therefore, will be one to prove that the translation is incorrect. Sin Asin stated—I am at present a clerk to Mr. Ewens. Previous, to that I was in the Registrar-General's office. I was the registration clerk having charge of the translation, of petitions and Kuhlow's Trade Review says :- The question papers. I have read the translation of the ar-

The witness then translated the article, and port of his conclusion. In answer to the inquiry | Cross-examined by Mr. Johnson Many of does not appear to be harrying. Evidently he

Hung Han Chung was next called and stated causes that led to it. A detachment of ?

supposing that the corrections mentioned by the will fall on the Execution Ground. witness were made-although I do not for a moment; think that his translation is correct -I still contond that the article is indecent and unfit for publication. As to the the East Gate. The site has been surveyed by portance, and will doubtless tell favourably in the

statement that some of the phrases are from the Chinese classics, and that it would not be considered indecent by the Chinese, that is utterly, worthless. That argument has been tried before and faited. This colony is English and these cases must be tried according to English law. I may also add that a previous conviction is recorded against this paper, and on that occasion a fine of \$100 was inflicted by the

Supreme Court. Mr. Webbert-The paper was then under different managers. This is the first offence of the present proprietors.

His Worship-I do not think I can deal with this case. ' If I convict, a penalty of \$50 would be totally inadequate, considering The further hearing of the charge against that on a previous occasion, for a similar the four men, Jonsen, Sunderland, Taylor, and offence the fine was \$100. Although the present proprietors had nothing to do with Mr. Webber (from the office of Mr. Ewens) pro- that, still it should have acted as a warning to them. I shall therefore remand the case till Honry Sinclair was called and stated-I was next Monday, in order that Mr. Johnson may second officer of the R.L.T. I was on board the be able to prove the previous conviction, and then I shall commit the defendants for trial.

> ABSAULTING A POLICE CONSTABLE. Jurnis Tumman, seaman; Erardu Araudt,

were not dirty, that he had had them cleaned on the prisoners assaulted a woman named Wong shore. Immediately after that the defendants | Cheung, and robbed her of a ring. The woman to be the case, but if "Flirplay" on a show "a liar," and then I ran out of the cabin, to arrest them. When he overtook them, they opium is stored in Customs godown a charge be engaged in a souffie. He was close to the and were behaving in a most disorderly manner, rail. He was bleeding freely, and I helped him shouting, and throwing stones at the villagers. In reply to Sunderland-I did not hear the custody, as the one who had first assaulted her, for godown rent be charged. Before the Ad-If menced when I came out of the cabin. I heard with a bamboo, and knocked it off. The fourth prisoner also struck him over the head. Mackay In reply to Stewart-I did not see the cap- then returned for assistance, and the four pri- it along with the proceeds of the sale of the tain stilke any body. I do not know whether soners were captured.

In defence, the prisoners denied that they had either assaulted or robbed the woman Mackay said they were not taken into custody on that charge, but for disorderly conduct and his business was never meddled with. You will

-His Worship fined the first prisoner \$25 or his Worship as to whether they had anything to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour, and say, Sunderland made a long statement on his each of the others \$10 or three weeks with hard own behalf and that of the other defendants. He. labour, and ordered each of the prisoners to pay duty to the shoulder of the Chinese dealer, and if, as

> THE CHINESE RENDITION CASE. This case was again remanded, till Monday

CORRESPONDENCE.

expressed by our Correspondents. FRENCH AND GERMAN MAIL

STEAMERS ORDINANCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." DEAR SIR.—From the report of the proceed ings in the Legislative Council, published in your issue of Saturday; it appears that the Hon. the Acting Attorney-General, weary of the monotony of passing the Franch Mail Steamers Ordinaceo annually, without opposition, has now read a second time a Bill for granting them, as well as the new German Line, the status of men-of-war in this port for an inthat English shipping companies, in view of netition in these waters, tamely submit to this sweeping measure and to their commercial rivals being invested with the halo of superiority these privileges an sabsolute injustice to British ships. I would therefore respectfully great; through your columns, that some publicferred upon foreign merchant vessels, or hat, as heretofore, the measure should continue

to be brought annually before the Legislative Jouncil, with a rider that any British line, or steamer, whose owners choose to apply for the status of men-of-war in this port, should, upon such application, be forthwith entitled to be placed upon the same footing as their French and German rivals. If the Hon. the Acting Attorney-General considers their special Ordinance a harmless one he surely cannot chieft to extend its operation

o British shipping generally; but, if the proe withdrawn. - Yours, &c., FAIRPLAY. Hongkong, 21st March, 1887.

MACAO.

FROM OUR COBEESPONDENT. 21st March.

The Salt Monopoly was put up for public bidding on Saturday, but the price offered being only slightly over half of that of last year the Junta de Fazenda refused to accept it, and the

Lima, Captain Andrade, returned to this por from Goa, having called at Bombay. Singapore Sourabaya and Manifa. She will probably very soon go to Hongkong for the purpose of being placed in the hands of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company to undergo some

The gunboat Tumega left here on the 17th tran-lation supplied by the prosecution is instant for Timor, to assist in subduing the correct, I submit that the article is not uprising of the natives in that colony. The Acting Governor, Senhor Garcia, with Mrs fact a satire on the customs and morals of the Garcia, and officers and men forming the re-Japanese. The writer compares the Japanese inforcement for that Colony, left here on Saturcustoms with those of the Chinese, and contrasts day by the steamboat Honam for your port in the immorality of the Japanese with the more order to take passage on board the steamer Guthrie for Timor. The embarcation was totally incorrect. I do not say that the ar- effected early on Saturday morning, and on the ticle has been translated incorrectly purposely, pier there were present the Commandant of the

Guia fort for the purpose of establishing communication between vessels in the roads and the ticle complained of. It is incorrect in many shore. It may prove of much good at times.

CANTON.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]. 21st March.

News is still scarce in the City of Rams. Liu Jung-fu is expected here very shortly, but he has little fancy for this city or province; his heart is in the wild mountains of Kwangsi-There has been a disturbance in the Sun Wai,

district, though I have not yet discovered the soldiers was sent from here the other day, howthe mob was arrested and will be brought here

The district of Ching Yuen has reason to re- at Kapuan Island on the South side of Sandaka No less than one hundred notorious criminsls have. I hear, been captured there, and are now under esport for Canton, where they are to be tried. Most of them are pirates, and it may

A mint for the coi age of cash is shortly to be established by the Government just outside a wei-yuen, and building operations will be com-

menced almost immediately. The Kwang Han Temple in the City, a well known Buddhist temple, one of the four largest in Canton, which has been allowed to fall into disrepair, is about to be thoroughly repaired, the Government defraying the cost.

A meeting of all the foreign merchants deal-

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT. 18th March, 1887.

ing in opinin was convened by the Amoy Chamber of Commerce in the office of Messrs. Boyd & Co., on the 15th instant, to discuss and decide which of the contracting parties should pay the import and lekin duties on opium now that the old arrangement with respect to the payment of these dues is subverted by the coming into existence of the Additional Article of the Chefoo Convention. Almost all the foreign firms conand he told him they were not, as they were L. Vackay, P. C. 59, at Hung Ham, while in the nected with this branch of trade were represented, and it was unanimously resolved that all minerals also it is likely the year 1887. was justly protested against. All this has The captain swore at him and told him they | It appears that about \$ p.m. on Sunday last, opinm be henceforward sold in Bond, import duty and lekin being paid by purchaser on came aft. I heard the captain call some one gave information to the Police and Mackay went clearance. It was, moreover, agreed that when from New Guinea, is said to have discovered pay-THEHONGKONGDISPENSARY, Tientsin that the privilege still in any way gives the and saw the defendants and the captain had been joined by about eight other soldiers made for fire insurance in account-sales unless an experienced Queensland miner, has started to in cases where it is understood that insurance is thoroughly prospect the Segama and Bole The woman pointed out a man, who is not in not to be covered, and that the Customs fee rivers, and is very sanguine of success. The road captain say, "I am ready for you now." I could and Mackay was about to take him in charge, ditional Article came into force the foreign im- Chinese diggers may be expected. We are unplay" suggests, the passing of the Bills now not say who struck first. The sensile had com- when the first prisoner struck him over the hat porter paid the import duty on his opium on der the impression, however, that the Hongkong clearing it through the Customs, and pollected drug two weeks after the date of the sale from his Chinese customer, but the payment of lekin duty not falling within the pale of thus see that the new arrangement is not likely to disturb to any great extent the old order of things except in so far as it shifts the burden of import is anticipated, the wily Celestial, goaded by the sense of increased responsibility and his inherent conservatism, which render any change in the existing order of things so repuguant to his susceptibilities, demur to it, a rigorous adherence to this resolution on the part of the foreign dealers would bring him round to acq hesce in and adapt himself to the new order Massrs. Holmes and Dennys, who appeared for The meeting postponed to a future date the question of adopting a petition to the Commissioner His Worship declined to comply with either of Customs asking him to afford them definite That when they heard the captain say that the request, but gave notice that should Chun Ayut information as to the condition on which the "Lekined" opium would be allowed to be reexported either to a Treaty or a foreign port. and to request him to obviate certain difficulties under which they labour under the new regime. Indeed, the dogged taciturnity of our Customs anthorities on this all-important subject pays a ON PARIS. poor compliment to their administrative capaci ty, as these details ought to have been worked out and published simultaneously with the bringing into effect of the Additional Article As to the facilities to be held out to the dealers of both classes, be it said to their credit that that mischievous tendency to play dog-in-themanger sort of frisks is happily absent from the minds of our local officers, who have, ever since the coming into effect of the new arrangement. evinced a commendable readiness to remedy all defects that have been brought to their notice. A preliminary meeting of the British residents.

of this port was held at the British Consulate yesterday to consider what steps should be taken to commemorate the Jubiles of Her Majesty the Oneen. Perfect unanimity prevaled as to the date of the celebration of the Jubileo, which is of all the British residents on the day in question and close the festivities with a splendid dispirited hon, member should propose, either play of fireworks, while others proposed that the total abolition of these destructive privileges | funds subscribed for such an auspicipas orcasion should be devoted to the Chinese Hospital, which is serely in need of pecuniary aid. As no definite settlement could be arrived at on the spot, committee, consisting of Messrs. Consul Allen. Commissioner Brown, R. Bruce, Powell, M. I Tolates, Dr. Ringer, and Rev. Mr. MacGowan was appointed by ballot to consider these or any other proposals which may be brought to their the result of their deliberations before a general posed Ordinance is in any way hurtful to the meeting of the British residents to he held on nterests of British shipping, it should forthwith the 18th proxime at the British Consulate, when the majority will decide what direction the cele-

bration should take. The C. S. N. Co.'s steamer Hangehow came at of the dock three days ago, and, after mak ng a trial trip successfully, proceeded to Shang hai yesterday. The U.S. frigate Brooklyn is lying at anchor at the outer barbour.

THE TIMBER TRADE IN BRIJISH NORTH BORNEO.

The North Borneo Herald of the 1st inst. has the following: - During the past month four On Friday, the 18th instant, the gunboat Rio | sailing vessels have been busy in Sandakan harbour loading Billian timber for China. Three have left during the past eight days fully laden with this valuable wood, which has evidently found favour in the eyes of Chinese shipwrights, carponters, and architects. Better still, three of the four vessels alfuded to are under charter to return, end others are expected. The exception is the barque F. H. Drews, owned and commanded by Capt. Rothbart. Although her return here is uncertain her owner intends returning at once to take over the management of his timber concession in Darvel Bay. As Capt. Rothbart has now been trading to this port for nearly two years, it must be considered one of the highly satisfactory "signs of the times" that he is personally about to engage in the timber trade with China. With the exception of our old friend Capt. William Anthony, of the barone Ellen, no other ship master has had so much experience of the accommodation of our harbour, and its timber resources than Capt. Rothbart. His embarking personally in the trade therefore must be re- Chinese Imperial Loan, 1886 E-5; per cent. garded as a proof of the value of the timber of civil and military officials and citizens of resources of the Territory. To give our readers Chinese Imperial Government 1885 Dollar Loan a more practical idea of the work done and tim-A semaphore service has been put up at the ber exported during the past month, we record that the barque Hattie E. Tapley took away 40,000 cubic feet of timber; the Mary Stuart 20,000, and the F. H. Drews 16,000; making a total of 76,000 cubic feet or nineteen hundred (1,900) tons for the month. The barque Billy Simpson now completing her loading will take away another 12,000 cubic feet or 300 tons more Messrs, E. E. Abrahamson & Co. have shipped by the Mary Stuart and F. H. Drews; and Messrs Koh Heen and Chan, To Pun by the Hattie E Tapley, and the latter gentlemen are also the charterers of the Billy Simpson. Messrs. E. E. Abrahamson & Co. have also under charter two other vessels which are expected daily. The time ber (billian) supplied by this firm for the con struction of the new patent slip at Singapor as given great satisfaction and is highly spoke of: while the timber is at the present momen eagerly sought after by the Dook Companies and Saw Mill Proprietors in Hongkong. In addition to Billian, other timbers are also shipped; namely Greeting, Krewing, and Rassak, hard woods, an

the soft wood Serayah, the prices realized being entirely satisfactory. Some of the Billian log shipped during the month measured 28 inches.i. diameter, and were forty feet in length... Messri E. E. Abrahamson & Co. employ some 400 men the locality for loading at present being mainly Bay. Messrs. Koh Reen, Chan To Pun, and others have some 500 coolies in their employ, thus the total number of coolies the industry at present gives employment to is some 900. We hear also

that Measre. E. E. Abrahamson & Co. have ob-

Mr. Johnson, for the prosecution, said-Even safely be predicted that ere long many heads | tained some recent concessions, namely, timber rights over 10,000 acres of land for thirty years ; half of this amount to be selected in Sandakan Bay, So much for the timber trade which, it must be confessed, is assuming a place of great im-Revenue Return of the Territory for the coming year, and upon its progress and future prospects we may fairly congratulate ourselves. In agriculture there is likely also to be a marked improvement. In addition to the German Borneo Company's operations at Banguey Island, Mr. Persyn is hard at work at Bongon, Mr. Christian is progressing favourably near Kndat; while we understand that Baron von Stein has lately obtained a concession for tobacco plant-ing, which if successful will lead to the formation of a Company to work 15,000 scres; and last we hear a rumour that the Chinese Sabah Company are likely to start once more while one or two Companies are being projected in London. This stir is beyond doubt owing to the satisfactory accounts of the Suan Lambs tobacco, some remarks on which we republish in another column translated from Die Indische Mercuur, and we must congratulate the late manager of the Company Mr. A. McD. Gibson on the successful result of his labours. Judging from a report wapublish elsewhere regarding the country near Bukit Malingai by Mr. W. Forbes-Mosso, Province Dent, should show an increase of export

of jungle produce: Ratten, Gutta, Rubber, and Dammar existing there in abundance, while from appearance there is the possibility of new hirds open out some new discoveries. There are five Australian miners at present ut, or on the read to the Gold Fields and one of them, a late arrival vicinity of the Dawata-Bole road. Mr. Sefton, from Silam via Bookton's gap to the head of the Bole will shortly be opened, when an advent of men will not odme in great numbers to the with the Trish Land Bill during the present country until a steamer is placed on the line. session. to secure this much felt want, and we trust | 8th March :prospects of the various industries under review. Bill relating to cereals. we may fairly congratulate the territory on these indications of a prosperous year.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE. MONDAY, 21st March.

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EXCHANGE. LONDON: Telegraphic Transfer ......3/1 Bank Bills, on demand . Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ......:3/14 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ......3/24 Credits, at 4 months' sight ......3/28 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' Credits, at 4 months' sight ......4.07 NEW YORK .-

Bank Bills, on demand.......765 BONBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer ......2184 Bank, on demand .......2201 CALCUTTA.— Bank, on demand Adjuntarion 2202 Private, 30 days' sight ......724

BHARES. Quotations are :--Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-148

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hinese.Insurance Company, Limited—\$225 per

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$4224 per sbare. China Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$87; per share, buyers.

notice, and it was resolved that they should put Hongkong and Whampes Dock Company's Shares-116 per cent. prem., sales. longkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. Shares-387 por cent. prem., sales.

Indo China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares-10 per cent, discount -30 per cent, discount, nominal. Douglas Steamship Company Limited \$46 Hongkong Gas Company's Shares-\$125.per Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-\$190 per

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$143 per share, ex div. sales. Hongkong Ice Company's Shares \$42 per longkong and China Bakery Company, Limited

-\$110 per share, ex div. Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company —\$20 per share. Punjom and Sunghie Dus Samantan Mining | consideration. First and foremost we have Company, Limited—\$121 per share, sellers. Perak, Sugar Cultivation Company-Tls. 18 per

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, L mited-\$45 per share. Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited-60 per cent. discount. S. Watson & Co., Limited-32 per; cent

Limited-31 per cent. prem., buyers. Singapore Insurance Company, Limited-\$22 per share. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A-2 per cent Chinese Deperial Loan of 1884 B-6 per cent.

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HONGKONG TEMPERATURE (PROM MARSES, PALCONER & Co.'s REGISTER. March 1lat.

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5. FORCE OF THE WIND RECOrding to Beaufort Scale.

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J.—Rais in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOBERCK Hongkong Observatory, 21st March, 1887.

### NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 12th March The Right Honourable -W. H. Smith will bring forward a Government measure dealing

We learn that the Government is taking steps. The following was received at Hanoi on the soon to see it supplied. In elaborating on the The Chamber of Deputies is discussing the M. Colombean'l has been appointed Com-

mandant of the Naval division of Tonquin. LONDON, 14th March. The Standard publishes a telegram announceing that an unsuccessful attempt has been made to assassinate the Emperor of Russia. No

details are allowed to be published in the Russian LONDON. 15th March. The report of the attempt on the life of the

Czar is officially denied. M. de Lessens has stated that after an interview with Prince Bismarck he is convinced that the danger of a war with Gormany is ever but that he expects serious complications may arise in regard to Egypt upless a date is fixed for the British evacuation of that country. LONDON, 16th March

It is announced that eighty-five Royal personages will attend the ninetisth birthday celebration of the Emperer of Germany. LONDON, 18th March.

Mr. Gladstone, speaking at a banquet, said that he was auxious thitie reasonable understanding should be come to with the Unionists, but that he sticks to the main proposals of the Irish Land Bill and depressies the harrying on of Home Rule.

THE NEW OPIUM AGREEMENT AND ITS EFFECT ON HONGKONG.

The Opium Agreement arrived at by the Foint Commission which eat here last year. and the provisions of which were for the first imo autounced by the ACTING GIVERNOR to the Legislative Council on Friday last, seem to us to afford the most satisfactory settlement of an exceptionally difficult and much vexed question that could under the circumstances have been made. Considering that for the past fifteen or seventeen years we have been protesting against the Inction for the Hukwan's cruisers and emplayes, considering, moreover, that it was to meet these complaints and provide a remady remedies. A voluminous correspond. On the arrival of the French aspecially on account of the competition of the latter in trade of not think they are anything exceptional for the competitive times; whilst at any moment were divided as to the form the celebration should the mercantile murine. Again; the defendants count of the competitive times; whilst at any moment the mercantile murine. Again; the defendants count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the Chefoo count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the Chefoo count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the Chefoo count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the Chefoo count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the Chefoo count of the convention providing for the appointment that the clause was inserted in the claus year, Hongkong could scarcely have declined to make some effort to put down the evils she On Tai Insurance Company, Limited-Tis, 148 has admitted and protested against. Even had this Chicky felt so inclined, however anton Insurance Office, Limited-\$75 per the Imperia Government would not, an could not, have refused to give assistance to the Chinese Government to protect their revenue, and thus make the Additional Article to the Chefco Convention of some effect. Straits Marine Insurance Company, Limited - | This being the case it became the duty of the Hongkong Government to devise a means Straits Fire Insurance Company, Limited- of giving to the Chinese Government the protection they sought at the least possible inconvenience to the trade of the Colony. Very fortunately for Hongkong, the gentleman appointed to represent her on the Commission, the Hon. James Russell, Puisne Judge, had not only made a study of the China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited | whole question for years, but also thoroughly understood the working of the Chinese preventive service, the course and value of the trade, and the methods and extent of the smuggling of the drug. Mr. Russell bas given the matter his closest stiention and must have thought it out intently to have been able to propound a scheme which, in our opinion, so efficiently safeguards the Luzon Sugar Retining Company, Limited \$58 freedom of the port a work for which he deserves great credit, and which we trust will meet with fitting recognition from

Her Majesty's Government.

In forming an estimate of the value of

the agreement which has been come to it is

necessary to take the following points into

escaped the Hulk plan, which would certainly have been objectionable from many points of view, but chiefly as involving the catablishment of a Chinese Collectorate or its equivalent in the Colony. By the plan adopted there will be no Customs Station in Hongkong, and the steps necessary to keep cognisance of all opium imported will be taken through ongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., the Harbour Master, and will work to the benefit of the Colonial as well as that of the Chinese revenue, since the Opium Farm will be enhanced in value. Moreover, the 'ustoms Stations at the entrances to this barbour will in fature be under the control of the Imperial Maritime Customs, and we may fairly hope therefore that the concession contained in Condition 5 of the agreement-which provides for the abolition of illegal squeezes on junks trading with Hongkong and Macao-will be carried out faithfully, in which case great benefit must accrue to the junk trade. The importance of this concession will be better estimated when it is remembered that the junks, which go everywhere, and not merely to the Treaty ports, are the great distributors of Piece Goods and other British and foreign products. These junks have been subjected to constant searches involving serious detention, arising from the fact that they all carried some opium, and that the drug is so easily concealed, necessitating very thorough examination. The vessels in fact were so harassed that the opium trade at longth was driven into a few well known jurks making regular trips to known places. What did not go by these generally tried to evade the payment of duty. Opium " which paid duty ceased long ago to go by steamer to Canton because the Haikwan gave 20 per cent. discount, and a discount of 40 per cent. was also given on lekin if paid at the Stations outside the harbour. When the Imperial Maritime Customs have the collection of the duty the bulk of the opium for Canton will be certain to go by steamers. As the amungling by land and nearly all the contraband trade by water has been done in small parcels it is obvious that when parmirs are required for less than one unbroken chest, the smuggling will be

redneed to a minimum if it is not put an end in absolutely. The bulk of those belonging and including the debit balance of \$24,210.51 from the lisaue the licences applied for to the Opium Guild are honest men who have paid duty for their customers in Chinapurchasing tickets in Bonham Strand-preferring to secure the discount and save trouble. There will, however, in future be no object in doing this as the Haikwan can no longer compete with the Maritime Customs, and junk carried opium will have no advantage over that shipped in steamers. Probably therefore the duty will be paid at Cinton in future instead of being paid here to the agents of the Haikwan. If the new cordance with the articles of association but offer measure becomes law the coasting and river. steamers will be relieved of cortain restrictions, and night privileges will be extended instead of curtailed. It will be recollected that a rumour was current-indeed the Commissioner of Customs at Canton refused in writing to allow cargo to be taken at night Value of company's steamors Zafiro, Diaby the steamers—that all river privileges would be withdrawn when the increased tax came into force.

The advantages likely to accrue from the new agreement have thus been shown, but -must not be supposed that they will be secured without some trouble, some incon. Balance of profit and loss account........ venience. The regulations provided may be. ... irksome at firs', as Mr. MEHTASplainly thinks, but he must not rest under the delusion that there is much choice in the matter. It is not, as he suggests, a case of King Fundry creditors ...... Log being erchanged for King Stork: Due to General Managers The Imperial Government would insist upon some arrangement, and as Sir ROBERT HART was determined to secure some concession,-supposing that Downing Balance from last account ....... Street yielded to Hongkong-he would have Interest been able to make things very unpleasant for all engaged in trade here-and especially for Maintenance of buoys and moorings...... dealers in opium. As it is, if the new Bill is accepted we shall have a well known tariff. and no exections by underlings, or if there Allowance to General Managers for office be any at first there will be a chance of these being promptly redressed. Owners, too, will at all events have their opinor in their own godowns, instead of in hull's as might have Profit on working 1886 been the case. They are simply asked to co-operate to prevent amuggling, at some slight trouble to themselves. Sugapore does this already for the sake of her own revenue, and it seems reasonable to suppose that Hongkong will do the same for her own revenue, to relieve her trade from restrictions, to please China, and to fulfil the pledges given by the British Government, Finally, the fear lest the opium trade should be driven elsewhere. seems to us to be one that may safely be dismissed. Macao acts in concert with Hongkong, and therefore can secure no advantage over this Colony or offer a refuge to smugglers. The trade is bardly likely to go to Haiphong, where the duty on opium is \$15 per ball; the drug cannot be landed at Ssigon unless to the Onlum Farmer; and it certainly will not go to Manila. The one paril that menaces the Indian Opium trade is the rivalry of the native drug. But if the Chinese Government full to hingrease the duty on the home grown opium, and it interferes with the import of the foreign drug, their the re-election of Mr. L. Hanschild and Mr. Thos. revenue will undergo a serious decline. This Arnold. contingency has already been foreseen by the Viceroy of Chihli, and we believe the duty on the native drug will, spite of the reported opposition of the Marquis Tsens, be very materially increased. The Peking Government will not lightly surrender so large and certain a refer to merely to profit i the poppy enlitivators of Yannan, Kweichow and Manchuria.

### CRICKET. HONGRONG CRICERY CLUB v. LADIES RECREATION CLUB.

This return match, which had been originally fixed for Friday and Saturday and postponed on account of the weather, was played on. the Cricket Ground, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 19th inst. The Ladies, determined not to be besten a second time, had got together a strong team under the captainty of the veteran Darby, who was so confident of victory that his ffer to eat a certain well-known hat (cost thirty dollars, Sir, when new) went unborded. Darby won the toss and sout in Robertson and Barff to the trundling of Travers and Wilson. Both batamen gob to week at once and made the relieved Travers, got one past Sarff's guard, 1 for 49. Coxon joined Robertson, who was playwho had compiled 42 by clean, bard hitting.

ing in his usual finished style, and the score mounted steadily to 73, when Travers, who had replaced Wilson, clean bowled the latter bataman. Graham followed, but was almost im nediately caught at cover point. 3 for 75. Coxon gave a chance to Travers, a few overs later, which was accepted. 4 for 95. Comon's 15 was a very steady, careful performance. Hawkins joined Scanlan, but after putting together 5, dissolved partnership, a fast yorker from the luminary | Capital proving too much for him. The veteran Cap- Reserve fund. tain proceeded leisurely to the wickets (how about that bet?) but fell a victim to the next ball from Wilson. 6 for 104. The remaining four wickets only, put on 4 runs, the innings closing | Balance of working account for 103. Scanian carried his bat for a carefully played 15. With 109 to win, Travers and Wilson for the

Club faced the bowling of Graham and Barff. With the score at 5 the genial Hon. Sec. was smartly caught at slip by Graham off Barff and Sawyer joined Wilson, who was shortly after bowled by a beauty from Barif, 2 for 22, of Hongkong office expenses and salaries ..... which the retiring butsmin bad made 15 in good | London office expenses and salaries ..... style. Lloyd filled the vacancy, but after putting together 8 in his usual slashing style Survey fees was well caught by Robertson behind the Commission ...... wicket off Barff. 3 for 33. Sercambe Smith London committee fees ........ followed, but failed to score, falling a victim to Directors' and auditors' fees ...... the Barff-Robertson combination. Sawyer re- Bad and doubtful dobts written of .. tired at 44, caught and bowled Graham for a Losses account 1831 prettily played 12. The remaining batsmen, with Losses account 1882. the exception of Foss, who put together 13 before | Losses account 1835 being clean bowled by Ba ff, failed to score, and the innings closed for 53 The match thus Less:anded in a victory for Paradise by 55 runs. In the inning of the L.R.C. Wilson took 5 wickets for 32 runs, and Travers 4 for 32.

Barff's figures for the Ladies' Club are excellene, 7 for 22. Graham also shows up well with 3 wickets for 28. Many of the Ladies were on the ground to seetheir champions play, taking a keen interest in the game, and the Band of the Northamptonshire Regiment was present and played some capital selections.

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Balls, Runs, Maidens, Wickets, Wides Graham.... THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the fourth ordinary goneral meeting to be held at the office of the General Managers to-day at 3 30 o'clock p.m. We have now to submit to shareholders the annexed

statement of accounts of the company made up

Slat December, 1886. 44-44

After paying running expenses, remuneration of consulting committee, auditors' fees, interest, &c., previous year, there remains at debit of profit and less \$58,591.69. This amount also covers the less of \$46,500 charcholders was sold in September for \$55,000. flooted thereby to some extent. The steamers Diamanie and Zafire have been run-

ning constantly, and the result of their working more satisfactory. absent, Mr. J. S. Moses and the Honourable C. Chater were invited to join the board. Messis. T Sassoon, J. S. Mosos and C. P. Chater retire in themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arn. old and J. H. Cox, who are eligible for re-election.
Russell & Co., General Managors. Hongkong, 17th March, 1887. BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING SIET **DECEMBER**, 1886.

Value of buovs and moorings at Amoy and Due from Maxila agents ..... Due from Amoy agents ..... Sundry debtors

Capital 3,500 shares, at \$100 per share ... \$350,000.00 Overdraft at Bankers PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT 1886. Loss on exchange, ..... Remuneration to consulting committee ... 200.00 clarges are taken together. Auditory fees ..

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation at the sixteenth ordinary meeting of sharepany at Hongkong, on Thursday next, the 24th third month of the 9th year of Kwang Su. We colony, and further with suborning the said Chan slept side by side in the gaol. He was already a Avut to commit persure in certain proceedings that holders, to be held at the head office of the Com- that I first saw him. I think it was about the

\$29,765.66

accounts for 1986, the directors are pleased to be able tion with him, otherwise I should not know him.

The directors now propose to pay 5 per cont. intereet for the half year, which will absorb \$15,000 and to leave the remainder of the balance to be dealt with on the expiration of current risks. The Hon. C. P. Chater and Mr. Fung Teng retire n rotation and are elegible for re-election.

AUDITOES. The directors have much pleasure in recommending H. Foss, Chairman. Hongkong, 12th March, 1887.

BALANCE SHEET, SIST DECEMBER, 1886. In ourrent account with Hongkong and Shanghai Bank 313,851.57 London agency :-In current account .with

Hongkong and Shangbai 65 bonds Chinese 7 per cent. 7,486. 5. 0 loan 1985 series A 13 bonds Chinese 6 per cont. 1,454. 9.11 2 bonds Japanese 7 per cent. Fixed deposits with Hongkong an i Shanghai Bank 4,203. 2. 6 £20,132, 9, 7

At 8/4 \$120,79 1.86 36 bonds Chinese 8 per cent. loan ..... 21,671.59 Securities in Hongkong: 276 bonds Chinasa 8 per cent. 192 boads Chinese 7 per cent Share in North-China Insurance Company, Limited ... Fixed deposit:-With Hongkong and

Mortgage : -On property in Hongkong ... Share of steamer Sea Gull Office furniture :- At held office Stamps :- On hand in London & Hongkong Accounts receivable: Outstanding premis, head office \$9,397.80 Interest accrued to date ...... 9,523.31 Due from agencies, &c. .

. Uncollected interest warrants \$ 782.00 Sundry amounts duo ...... 36,828.8) WORKING ACCOUNT. Shareholders' interest :-Interest to December 31st, 1885.\$9,000.00 Interest to June 30th, 1886 ... 9,000,00 English branch office expenses ..... Expenses of steamer Sea Gull.....

67,418.17 Amounts recovered for 1883 .... \$ 181.32 Amounts recovered for 1884..... 1,978.48 Losses account 1880 ......

Balance brought forward from 1885 . At head office and agencies ... \$499,636.39 Less :- Reinsurance and re-Interest warrants lapsed under clause No. 93

lished in the Gazette:them should not be used for notable purposes. Mr. Arthur.

3-A return of the summonses applied for by Luk Kai Ming was next called and stated-I life, and it is essential that before this most cases acted upon. I that the loss made by the Bank is in no case likely. machinery. the Inspectors of Nuisances during the weeks was formerly employed on board a steamer, mentous measure be decided upon, full opportunity wish the same thing had been done regarding to be seriously large. ending the 12th, 19th, and 26th February, 1887, but now I am assistant accountant in a should be afforded to both parties for arriving at the present Bill. If instead of the hide and An extraordinary general meeting of the share. tween the Mixed Court Magistrate, the Assistant was laid on the table by the Secretary. The coolie house. I live at No. 61, in a street a conclusion as to their repective mental and seek manner in which it has been submitted; holders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Prefect, and the Taptai upon the subject of em-Return showed that 50 prosecutions had been in Tripingshan, near the Market. I know physical quairies would Managers Mesers Jardine, Natheson & Co., on chain-gang at Shangbai. This is not to be all limited, that in 49 cases convictions had been one for the men, who was charged before, glance at the face is really all that is considered. obtological that fines to the amount of \$132 Mr. Wedehouse for having committed burglary necessary in most cases. Indeed, as offen as not, not have appeared before the Council and the 16th inst., for the purpose of confirming lowed in future, it seems, as it is considered dero-4—A number of applications for the renewal Leang Air. He was arrested at the house No. other's faces till the marriage day, their parents had been framed not by a British official who is general meeting held on 22nd ultimo, giving Chinese criminals are thus parented.

of licences to keep cattle, goats, and swine were 61. I first knew the man on the 3rd of October, having made all the arrangements without even also a lawyer and judge, but by a Chinese min. power to considered. The Secretary was instructed to 1884. He rented a front room from me, on the consulting the principal actors in this important darie blind to the iniquities of his measures. 5.—A report by the Sub-Committee to whom which I am assistant accountant is in Kwong becasily understood that marriage is protty fouch the applications for importing, landing, atoring. the question of sheep and swim markets had Yuen street, West. I have been engaged there like a lottery, in which one is completely ignorant, and exporting opium are to be submitted to the been referred was considered. Resolved .- that since 6th July last year. While employed of what fortune may attend him. Need it be Harbour Matter, and as if, even in his case, the energholders was sold in September for socious.

The steamer Esmeralda was laid up for repairs at a letter should be addressed to the Government there, I have been sleeping and residing at No. - matter for surprise that such unions as this are obstructions that have been heralded in at every the beginning of last year, and her carnings have been urging the early erection of proper sheep and 61. From the 6th July last year, and her carnings have been urging the early erection of proper sheep and 61. From the 6th July last year, and her carnings have been urging the early erection of proper sheep and 61. swine markets in the neighbourhood of the cattle time of his arrest, Lenng Afa has been residing formed? We should say not; the wonder rather bour Master are to be exhibited at the Chinese market at Kennady Town, on the grounds that there also. He was not absent from that house is how any such ill-assorted combination can be Farmer's office for his signature—and not to be was not absent from that house is how any such ill-assorted combination can be Farmer's office for his signature—and not to be was not absent from that house is how any such ill-assorted combination can be remarked by Mr. Bottomley and such markets would not only by a very great during any part of the ninth moon. He was preserved without rupture during a whole life, used or acted upon until they are so signed. sanitary improvement, but that they would also sick at that time. I have never known him To reform the condition of divorce in this countries has been carried so far that even for Messre. H. L. Dalrymple and F. D. Sassoon being | yield return in the form of rent for the money by any other name than that of Lenng Afa. The witnesswas then taken to the gaol and there

expended in their erection. 6.—On the motion of Mr. Ede, seconded by identified in the presence of Mr. Dennys and Mr. the Actnig Registrar-General, it was resolved; Caldwell the 3rd defendant in the rendition case, that a letter should be addressed to the Govern- who is known, under the names of Leung Afu ment recommending that, if the passing of the and Chan Chuen. proposed new Public Health Bill in its entirety pass the Bill in the form in which it was substanted and in the 6th moon of last year. her husband's work and be proud of his meri- 18 any Police Sergeant may knock at his doors mitted by the Sanitary Board with the exception The voyage lasted about fifteen days. I was torious actions. In our country this is all but any hour of the day or night to enter and search of the clauses relating to the sufficiency of spaces not on the ship's articles. I was engaged by a impossible. Indeed, one may find mutual symble his premises. If he finds the shifting of opium in and around buildings. The Board then adjourned till noon Friday, the 1 th March, 1887.

POLICE COUR'T. 15th March.

BEFORE MR. E. MACKEAN. THE CHARGE AGAINST A CHINESE

MANDARIN. The further hearing of this case of charge perjury against the Mandarin and the chief wit ness in the rendition case was resumed yester-\$479.013.00 day morning. Mr. Donnys and Mr. Holmes were for the presecution, and Mr. J. J. Francis,

Q.C., instructed by Mr. Caldwell, appeared for the defence. Mr. Francis-Before your Worship proceed I beg for leave to withdraw the application that 205.38 I mude yesterday, that the two charges of parjury 1,298.00 and subornation of perjury be tried separately. 1,500.00 . I think it will facilitate matters greatly if both

His Worship-Very well. If Mr. Dennys

has no objection, I am quite willing to grant your \$88,360.35 | request Mr: Dennys having read the depositions of Lenng Ayow, the witness in the rendition case, proceeded to call the first witness for the prosecution, Ho Aki, who stated-I am an ornament maker. I live in Hillier Street. I have been in Hougkong gaol and was released on the 22nd Heb. I.re. cognise the second prisoner. He is Chin Aynt. He has a nickname, " Chim Tsul. (pointed hips). Shun Tak, It is about twenty Chinese miles from Kweichow. I cannot remember the exact date In submitting to the shareholders a statement of prisoner there when I arrived." I had a conversa-

to report a continued increase in the carnings of the I was imprisoned for assaulting my elder brother. company; the net premia for the year amounting to The prisoner was released after I had been in guel appears to me that it is not right or proper to proceed \$340,183,94 and the balance of working account to The prisoner was released after I had been in guel appears to me that it is not right or proper to proceed about three weeks. Before he was released I Additional losses have since been reported to the had several conversations with him. I noticed fore to authorize you to enter, or cause to be entered. some marks on his temple which he said were the characters "Sit Tsak." He also showed me some marks on his arm, which he said were "Sit To." (The witness here examined the prisoner's arm). The characters are not so distinct now as when I saw them. I did not see the scar on the arm which is there now. I saw the prisoner after he was released. Thirty days afterwards he was captured by Li Loi and was brought back to the gaol. He told me he had committed a robbery at Loi. the market of Yung Ki, and was taken by the soldiers of Li Loi. I do not know what Li Loi cam-tances, Mr. Dennys, the case had better be it can well be understood that any powers en- Peking through the Hongkong Government, is, except that he is a Chinese official. The second remanded now. defendant, Chan Ayut, was again released from . Mr. Dennys-I am quite prepared to go on spirit of fairness. But in the Bill powers greater was criticised adversely, and a resolution depre-

mother of Chun Aynt come to visit him while against the first defendant, after receiving the agent. Section 14 provides for holders of Opium the Acting Secretary, was elected Secretary by he was in gaol. I do not know where she lives document which I have just read, but my posi- giving accounts of stocks. In that section be- acclamation. The inquest, on the hody of the now. Afterwards his e'der brother was also cap: tion is quite clear. It is not that I have with- youd the equivalent powers given to the Harbour Chinaman accidentally shot on the 13th inst. by tured and put in good. His name is C an Kon I drawn from the case. The case for the prose- Vaster and the Opium Farmer, the latter is to Inspector Quincey was concluded on the 16th. I had a conversation with the prisoner with re- ontion is closed so far as Lintend to bring any quote the words of the section, "at liberty at when a verdict of death from misadventure gard to his brother I knew Chan Kon I evidence with regard to the man Leung Ayow, any time during the term of his exclusive pri- was returned. The relatives of the deceased was the prisoner's brother, because I overheard now before you. the conversation of both of them when the Mr. Dennys was proceeding with some further exceeding five times in each calendar month, to the Inspector, but on the 21st it branded myself. It is only bad characters and Mr. Francis said-I object, your Worship, any Opium in his possession, custody, or control. Chief Justice, sitting in original jurisdiction; old offenders who are treated so. The second to Mr. Dennys pursuing the very extra- an account in writing of the Opinus o held at on the 17th inst., in the case of Bradley time I saw the prisoner the marks were in the ordinary and irregular course of making a the time of such demand, and of the marks and Co. v. Russell & Co. for the defendants with some condition; that on the arm was very dis- speech new. There is absolutely no good to be numbers upon the chests containing the same, out costs. Judgment was also delivered by Mr

but it must be more than once. Hongkong twice. I was released the last time allowed out on the same bull as before. on 22nd of February this year. I had been in prison then one year. I was accused of robbery. journed till next week. but I was innocent of the charge. On the arst occasion, I was in prison four weeks, for stealing some clothing. I was known in gaol by the name of Ho Aki. Since I left the gaol in February I have had no occupation. I first came to

Hongkong about 10 years ago to find employ- the Jiji Shimpo ;ment. Lobtained a place in a shop at West first time. I went home to Shun Tak. I stayed and divorce are regulated by no consideration as a Chinese who is himself-what? Looking at his organic Club, was played on the 19th inst., in Shun Tak about a month, and then returned to the character, disposition, or condition of profession, and the large stakes he undergoes, when the latter won easily, by 55 runs. The to Hourkong when the grand procession either of the contracting parties. People marry he most decidely comes under the category of a work on the Peak Tramway is progressing and was held. I was invited by the Pork Guild to pretty much at random, and the natural conse-speculator. At the same time he is a trader as the line will shortly be ready to be opened. play a drum. I belong to a company of about quence of their ignorance of the qualifications well as the 'salan and Chinese dealers. He has to We understand that Mr. F. A. Morgan, lately pusy a drum. I saw the prisoner first in the which ought to be possessed by those who enter buy and sell opium, and why should be be the pos- Acting Commissioner of Customs at Ichang, he was during his short stay here. The party ninth year of Kwang Su. This is the thirteenth the married state is that they separate whenever sessor of such knowledge as he is given the power will take charge of the Customa stations near were conveyed by beat to the Commissioner's year. I was once only in Shun Tak gool. I any disagreement, no matter how slight, springs to acquire, and what guarantee is there to pre- this colony under the provisions of the new residence, and after breakfast the principal wood

I saw him here. I never received any letters from | human happiness.

as a witness. I did not come because any friend | the true causes of the present evil. the defendants in the rendition case. I have once point to the want of, or the restrictions pack and parcel of boobies and they are not to gone on a two years' tour in England and Europe, officials, for promotion, who have distinguished \$375,969.84 never seen them till I saw them in the court, upon, social intercourse between the sexes in be taken into account. Some of the leading Chi- with the intention of acquiring infor nation, themselves in the settlement of the dispute. When I came to the court the other day I heard this country. In western countries men and nese are the best gentlemen to be consulted. It Mr. Seki is a member of the Tokyo Municipal The N. C. Daily News says that the Viceroy the second prisoner in the case giving evidence women of all ages constantly meet and enjoy the is certainly a misfortune in this colony that some Assembly, and Law graduate of Tokyo Imperial of the Two Kwang has memorialised the Throne

analysis to be polluted, that the waters from I seted as interpreter between first defendant and persons meeting and seeing each other. Now, dations. Such suggestions and emendations as holders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. the new Board of Revenue are to be repaired and

and murder in Chinese territory. His name is the bride and bridegroom may not see each the public. As it now appears it reads as if it the special resolution passed at the extraordinary gatory to Chinese honour, seeing that only

voyage in the Idana. I brought over about mainder of thei lives in antold misery, --

\$200 with me from Macao. I had some cargo of my own on board the Iduna. worth about \$50. From the year 1884 to 1886 I lived at No. 61. I have a wife and famiy there. I rent the whole of one floor at I pay \$65 rent. I do not know whether I am registered as a tenant of that floor. I do not remember the date I was first engaged in the coolie house. The name of the master is Fung Chak. He pays me \$5 a month for keeping the accounts for him. The names of the inmates are entored in a book. The time of their leaving and the date of paying their rent are also entered. The books containing this information for the last six months are complete. the better regulating of the trade in opium " as If a man leaves for a few days and returns this drafted by His Honour Mr. Justice Russell is is also entered. I do not know if the coolie house

is licenced. I know a man called Fung Sai Chun. He came to doctor Loung Afu. At this point of the proceedings, his Worship said. "I have just received a document from the in its entirety. H.E. the Administrator has Acting Attorney-General, which I think you had better see, Mr. Dennys, and then pass it to Mr. Francis."

Mr. Denniys With your Worship's consent I will read the document aloud.

Mr. Dennys then read as follows :-THE QUEEN ON THE PROSECUTION OF HENRY LARDNER DENN'IS AGAINST LI LOI. Whereas, the said defendant Li Loi has been charged and one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Poace for the mainland, but Mr. Russell has evidently with Chun Ayut to attempt to murder one Lenng Afn, now detained as a prisoner in the gool of this have been taking place before Houry Ernest Wodehouse, Esq., a Police Magistrate; and one of Her Ma. jesty's Justices of the Peace for the said colony, and the said charge is now remanded; and whereas it my further upon the said charge; These are there have a Chinese Custom House in Hongkong un-Li Loi, and for so doing this shall be Your warrant. Dated this 15th day of March, 1837.

EDWARD J. ACKROYD Acting Attorney-General. To Ernest Mackean, Esq., Police Magistrate and one of Her Majosty's Justices of the Peace for the

colony of Hongkong. This document having been translated into

gaol, but I do not know what became of him. I with the case against the second prisoner. Of than those given to the Harbour Master are catory of it passed. The Chairman and Vicedid not see by whom he was released. I saw the course I have no power to go on with the case given to the Chinese Opium Furmer or his Chairman were re-elected, and Mr. H. U. Jeffries,

cure such further syldenes as he requires. The further hearing of the case was then a l-

DIVORDE IN JAPAN.

in the Shun Tak district. I do not know what it was not permissible finder any circumstances, and for any lacked of his the most that he his term of service on this station. distance it is from Kweichow. My elder brother and as a result couples tired of each other were suffers is a penalty for each offence of \$500. The new Governor of Timor, Senhor Garcia, boats Chao Wa and Yun Kai firing a salute of is still alive. He lives at Sam Kwai. My father wont to seek new partners in other countries. whilst persons offending against the provisions and Mrs. Garcia, and the officers and men form- 21 guins as he took his departure.—Mercury lives there also. He is employed in a pawabro- Some years ago the laws relating to marriage of sections 3 and 4 are on conviction liable to a ling the reinforcements for the garrison in that Correspondent. ker's shop. It is called Sun Fu. There is no were altered on the ground that they had hither fine not exceeding \$1,000, and the forfeiture of colony came over from Macao by the steamboat name to the street in which my father lives. I to been too stringent, but so far as divorce is opium, or in default imprisonment with or with- Honam on Saturday, and were conveyed in steamhave been betrothed, butam not married. I have concerned they are still prohibitive. Contrast out hard labour for a period not exceeding three launches on board the Guthrie, which sailed for

marriage is one of the creat events of a human come from practical observations are held in ing Corporation will, however, be glad to hear the new issue of cash is to be made by foreign

ployment from that time till I went on the arrangement, and in many cases pass the re-

COMMESSPONDENCE

e do not field pursely as responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents. THE NEW OPIUM AGREEMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." Sir.-Owing to some misapprehension of the. scope and object of a letter which I addressed you in July last re the opium commission, I am certainly somewhat at a disadvantage in penning this. But the Bill entitled "An Ordinance for so much of a meddlesome and irksome character, the Government are likely to insist on any proand moreover is framed in such a one-sided spirit, vision that would place the merchants in the that I cannot refrain from pointing out the re- hands of a speculating Farmer - En. D.P. sults likely to ensue if such a Bill were passed fathered the Bill in the Council, but, as far as one can see, the raison d'être, if any such there be, for the passing of such a Bill in this colony is especially kept in the background. It is not at all spirit that the cry heard after the publication

remained there about five months. I was known up between them. This practice is not only in- vent the abuse on his part of his knowledge? If Opium Agreement. there under the name of Ho Aki. From the time jurious to the morals of society; it is manifestly anything, the absence of any adequate provisions. Among the passengers who left here on the wards the Stone Quarries, some few miles up

9,775.54 seen many prisoners marked in the same way the state of matters in France and in other months. This penalty eminently betrays the one- Timor direct on Sunday. as the second defendant is. I have never Western countries with that which obtains here, sided view taken of the matter. The Farmer The Portuguese gunboat Rio Lima, Captain the first nine steamers from the north. Of this seen the operation performed. The second A man may practically dismiss his wife at his may very well delay and obstruct the course of Andreds, arrived here on the 16th just, from Goa amount, over Tis. 222,000 was in gold. defendant told his fellow prisoners in the convenience, especially if he belongs to the lower business of the other opium dealers if he sees his via Bombay and Manila. The Rio Lima was sta- The Daily News says, that the Viceroy of gaol that he was sixteen years old. I do and uneducated classes of this country. When interest that way. Under the powers granted thought at Macao some time last year and was Childi was to leave Tientsin on the 11th inst. not know a single Chinese character. I have a woman marries she places herself actually him he has ample opportunities of so doing. If despatched in the heginning of November for Peking is order to accompany the Emperor never been to any school. I cannot write my at the mercy of her husband. She is hisble it comes to his interest he may insidiously retard to assist in quelling a disturbance in the Portu- on his visit to the Mausolea. He will be absent name. I cannot write the character "To," to be divorced at any time on any pretext the granting of passes to some of the large holders, guess possession in Africa. She now returns about five weeks. but I know it when I see it. I cannot write whenever her busband has become tired of her. and take advantage of his knowledge of stocks to resume her place on the China station. the character "Sit," but I know that also Statistics for 1883 show that in this country, to do business on his own account. He knows Attheinquestheld on the 16th inst. on the body of a railway between Kellung and. Tamsui will when shown to me. The characters on the second during that period, the number of marriages very well that he has to suffer is a of the man who was accidentally shot by Inspector commence at no distant date, as a foreign enprisoner's arm were written one above the was 337,456, and of divorces 127,162, which ponalty of \$500 whilst by working in the manner Quincey on the afternoon of the 13th, the jury, in gineer has already surveyed the intended route. other. "Sit" was the topmost character. I can proves that the latter amounted to more than insticated, and pitting his knowledge against their verdict, found that the man met with his. The Shen-pao learns that San-hai boing restill see the shape of the character "Sit" on the one-third of the former. In a town or village large holders, he may realize greater profits not death by misadventure. The relatives of the quired for the Empress to spend her days of second defendant's arm, very indistinctly. The where the proportion is 33 marriages to 12 di- to unreluctantly undergo such a small sacrifice. deceased, however, instructed Mr. Dennys to retirement, its walls are to be built five feet character "To" is more distinct. The cha- vorces, we would thus have 66 persons who had The section which enjoins penalty to the Farmer, bring a charge of murder against Inspector higher so, as to render the place more secluded. racters on the temple were very indistinct the entered's state of happiness, and 24 who were beyond betraying the absence of any guarantee Quincey, and, notwithstanding the verdict of The steamer Kiungpian arrived in Shanghai last time I saw them; they are now covered thrown into a condition of comparative misery. for his good faith, also points out the exclusive the jury, the charge was proceeded with, but it on the 12th inst. from Wenchow. She brought by his hair. I saw a mark on his temple, when Now, in order to secure that the question of spirit of the ordinance, for evidently it seems was yesterday abandoned. I was directed to look a few days ago, during the divorce should be placed on a proper footing, before framing the measures had Mr. Justice! The P. & O. steamer Ganger, which left here sum of money to be exported from a small place course of the trial. I came to the Court se- both in respect of the law and of custom, it Russell consulted the Indian merchants the on the 15th inst. for England, took quite a number like Wenchow. Most of the dollars are chopped. cidentally on the 8th March, before I was called is necessary that we should consider what are inadequateness of the penalty to the Farmer of Japanese passengers for Europe. Among them The Shen-pao states that since the Nagasaki would have been the first to have been drawn to was Mr. N. Seki, the editor of the Nichi Nichi riot has been finally settled. H. E. Chi. Chinese 23,864.51 of mine was being tried. I do not know any of As the most potent of these causes we may at his notice. But the ludian merchants are a Shimbun, the principal paper in Tokyo, who has Minister to Japan, will make out a list of the

under the name of Leung Ayow. I knew him to society of one another, their intercourse being, of the officials, officials for whom we have more University. be Chun Ayut and so went and saw the lawyer with certain judicious restrictions, practically than ordinary respect, lean so much on their Chi. On Wednesday evening, the 16th inst. (St. Cassia bark and of a uniform tax of 5 mace per about it. Since I left the good on 28th February unfettered. They assemble in the dancing ness proclivities and propensities that they Patrick's Eve) an enjoyable ball was given in the picul on it, payable by the grower, free passage The following minutes of the proceedings of I have been living at No. 27, Hillier Street, saloon or the concert hall to dance or to listen carried be weared from their narrow and cirthe Sanitary Board at a meeting held in the with a friend of mine. He is a collector of opium to music; and in their sports, their walks and our major Meredith and the Warrant Officers, Staff at these ports only to export duty. The Board Board Room on Friday, the 4th March, are pub. dross. I have not done any work since I left the recreations, the sexes mingle freely. Parents tion for Chinese girls, or in matters relating to the Sergeants, and Sergeants, and Sergeants, and Sergeants of the Garrison concerned is to take cognisance. lished in the Gazette:

gaol.

Present:—The Honourable the Surveyor—Mr. W. M. B. Arthur, who was recalled by Mr.

Chinese themselves, necessarily, the Po Leung Upwards, of three hundred invitations had been allow their daughters at the proper age to join the Surveyor—Wr. W. M. B. Arthur, who was recalled by Mr.

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Chinese themselves, necessarily, the Po Leung Upwards, of three hundred invitations had been cashiered a magistrate for forcing destitute General. (Chairman), the Acting Registrar Dennys, said—I received the order, which I hold enabled to note the bearing and habits and Chinese Justices of the Peace should be thought Historian Registrar Dennys, said—I received the order, which I hold enabled to note the bearing and habits. General, the Honourable A. P. MacEwen, Dr. in my-hand, from His Excellency the Acting estimate the character of the young men of. But when the point is stretched, and when in Misses Cameron were present for some time. trate declined to relieve Catholics with a dole of P. Manson, LL, D., N. J. Ede Esq., Hugh No. Governor. It requests Mr. Wodehouse to issue whom they meet When at length a couple are a manner an international question arises, it is Dancing was kept up until after two o'clock to rice except on condition of undergoing this or-Callam, Esq (Secretary). Absent: -The clopial warrants for the apprehension of eight men, drawn to each other by reciprocal leve, a ma-Surgeon, Major T. C. Dempster, Dr. Ho Kai. The warrants for the apprehension of seven only trimonial promise is exchanged, and thus, have very important trade, a trade in which the inte- Regiment. The rooms had been tastefully peuled to the Vicercy, who at once disclaimed The minutes of a meeting held on the 11th were issued. The man Chan Kon I was excepted ing had ample opportunity of observing each rests of large countries are involved, should ap- decorated for the occasion. February, 1837, were read and confirmed. by order of Li Loi, who said that the man was other previous to marriage, the young people parently emanate without any regard for or re-2.—Certain papers on the subject of the water already arrested in Chinese waters. I received seldom change in their affection afterwards. In ference to the views and opinions of the parties oldest and largest foreign mercantile firms-in-at-Peking-has decided to enlarge the Legation supply of the city which is derived from wells no other orders, from anybody, with reference to this country, men and women of marriageable dealing in that trade. I wish the draft of the Manila, failed on the 16th inst. to meet their ac- building, which is far from commodious; the cost together with a report by the Government the non-issuing of that warrant. I explained age are not permitted to meet, in accordance Bill before being put forth in the Council had ceptances. It seems that the crash had been im-Analyst on ninety samples of water drawn from to Mr. Wodehouse the reason for not issuing with the Confucian instruction that the sexes been submitted for inspection and suggestions, pending for some little time. Advices received \$10,000. The Belgian Minister has also purshould not be present in the same room after if not of the Indian merchants, at least of that by letter from Manila on the 18th instant chased a piece of land at Peking for the pura beginning be at once made to close all polluted | Chan Kai Ming, re-called—The order before they have attained the age of seven yours. practical and important body which could be laid | per steamer Diamante add. little to what | pose of building an official residence. wells, dealing with those which are most polluted meisdirecting the Magistrate to issue eight war. Therefore when a man wants to marry, he must bold of in the Colony—the Hougkong Chamber was known of the failure of Messrs. Peele, Hub- The Hu-pan says that the balance in the and liable to be used for drinking purposes first; rants. Li Loi informed us that one of the men see the girl under the guidance of the middleand that the Acting Registrar-General should be mentioned in the warrant, Chan-Kon I, had been man first—this formality, known as the mi-ai, practice to submit Bills affecting the interests bilities and the probable assets cannot as yet including what is left of the foreign loan; there of trade to Chambers of Commerce for their ins- be ascertained, as much depends on the course is also Tis. 720,000 in cash, which it is proposed waters from which have been found by chemical for his apprehention was therefore unnecessary. The mi-ai, then, simply consists in the young pection and to invite their suggestions and emen- of the produce markets in America. Share- to use for paying the troops. The buildings of

second floor of No. 61. The coolie house of laffair. Under circumstances such as these it will few details in short to verify the remark. All try it is indispensable that the intercourse be- moving opium from one godown to another withtween the sexes should be differently regulated. in the precincts of this colony, all the prescribed Too often also it is the dase that a wife is paraphernalia of applications and permits are to actually ignorant of the nature of her husband's be put into motion. A merchant who has paid work, of his place in society, or of his antecedents such a large amount as R . 1,200 to 1,400 for a tons. Another bogie loaded to the same weight Intimacy is an all essential element in theoreation | chest of opium in India, finds that as soon, as it descended as a connection of the motive Cross-examined by Mr. Francis-I am thirty of mutual love, and it is evident that affection arrives in this colony, the onium virtually belikely to be delayed, the Council be asked to five years of age. I was engaged on board the must be increased if a woman can sympathise in longs to the Chinese Farmer. Under section friend of mine, who is supercargo, to assist him. pathy and intelligence between a couple of necessary from one godown to another for his He belongs to the steamer still. There were thieves who have entered the matrimonial state, financial accommodation or for the accommodation never any stolen furs traced by the Police to for then the woman is able to understand the of his goods, he finds his hands are tied up, and my house. I never had anything to do with difficulties of her husband's work. Among re, he must cool his hools at the Harbour Master's conlie houses before I went on the voyages. apectable people the sole object is beauty, and for the Chinese Farmer's before the little ac-Previous to that I was in Macao. I came to many men marry several times. The woman commodation can be an accomplished fact. But Hongkong the first time in 1884. I had no em. thus diversed have of course the worst of the above all that, section 4 precludes a seller from passing any muster for the sale of his opium, nor. for that matter, is a buyer entitled to make his purchases with his eyes open, for the prohibition of small quantities under one chest one's possession, custody, or o introl is as rigid under the section as rigid can be. Evidently the entire bill is conceived with such "unequal affection! that, it is hoped, the unofficial members in the Council will take up the sudgels to put it on the right basis. Let us have the blockade of the existing Chinese Castoms at the entrances to the Harbour rather than such an iniquitous Bill should be passed into law.

> H. M. MEHTA: Hongkong, 20th March, 1887. The Bill has, we improve been from thou the Singapore Ordinance, but we do not think

Log be averted - I am Sir, yours truly.

## HONGKONG.

above. Wherever land out be utilised building The charge of subornation of perjury and evident from His Excellency's remarks that any conspirmoy to murder brought against Colonel are constantly giving place to leftier houses. necessity for local legislation in the way aimed Li Loi, who is in charge of the rendition care Great changes are also imprading on the Pray at exists in this colony. It can hardly now before the Police Court, was on the 15th where several new hongs will shortly be erected. be. gainsaid that this piece of legislation inst with rawn, a nolle procequi being entered also a prisoner. Tai Laung is the Capital of before Ernest Mackean, Esq., a Police Magistrate is simed at Chinese smuggling opium into on the authorisation of the Attorney-General: the colony of Hongkong, with conspiring, together looked at the matter with one eye and squinted witness in the case, stands adjourned The first with the other, for in framing remedial measures | meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong against smuggling by the Chinese, he has framed and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, slept side by side in the gaol. He was already a Ayut to commit perjury in certain proceedings that a measure which goes right against the Indian Limited, held in compliance with the requiremerchants dealing in opium, and he has done it ments of the Companies Ordinance, took place. so much with a vengeance and with an exclusive on the 15th inst.; when the Chairman stated that the working of the concern was fully justifying. of the Bill in the papers has been :- "Better to the expectations of the promoters. Information was received in town on the 15th inst. that der British protectorate than such a hampering Messra. Poole, Hubbell & Co., one of the oldest and harassing bill should become law in the firms in Manila, had that day failed to meet Colony." Not content with putting the Harbour | their engagements. Losses in sagar are said to Master at the heals of opium dealers, he has given be the cause of the failure. The annual mestthe baton in the hands of the Chinese Opium ing of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce Farmer as well; the motley crew of Justices of was held on the 16th inst., when the report, the Peace and an Inspector of Police or an Ex- which was an exhaustive document, dealing cise Officer following in pursuit to boot. Now, with numerous important questions, was conevery fair minded person may think that very firmed, and the only discussion raised was on

Chinese for the benefit of the defendant Mr. Li little if anything can be said against the power | the lately received instructions from the Forof surveillance granted to the Harbour, Master, eign Office for the Chamber to forward all His Worship said-I think under the cir- He is a British official with responsibilities, and communications for the British Minister at trusted to him will be used with tact and in a instead of communicating direct, a change which vilege, and as often as he shall think fit, but not then brought a charge of murber against demand in writing from every person having abandoned. Judgment was delivered by the

tinet. I enquired why he had not defreed that, offected by doing so. He will be entitled to sum sand the Opium Farmer or his agent shall be at Justice Russell, sitting in summary jurisdicin the same manner as he had the one on his up when he has heard the evidence for the de- liberty at any time between the hours of six in tion, on the 18th in the case E. E. Dear s. Jarforehead. He said that it was too painful. I feace. I also ask that your Worship will the morning and six at night, and not oftener dine, Watheson & Co. in favour of the plaintiff. do not know the exact number of times which a remand this case for one week in order than five times in each calendar month, to enter but without costs. A meeting of the Legislaman must be 'imprisoned before he is branded, to permit the solicitor for the defence to pro- the premises where such Opium is stored, and to tive Council was held on the 18th inst, when inspect the same, and any person refusing to give the Acting Governor read a minute detailing His Worship -The case will be remanded for such account, or without reasonable cause shown | the result of the proceedings of the Joint Com. correct account shall be liable, on conviction, to of the matters connected with the so-cilled a penulty not acceeding five hundred dollars." Blocks le of Hongking, and giving the heads Now, what is the feeling after reading this of the agreement arrived at, and a new Oplann |use somewhat of an emphemistic expression, to against emuggling was read a first time. A bundle out the Farmer and his myrmidons from resolution to abolish the office of Coroner was my premises. Such inquisitorial powers as are put and carried nem. con. Several new official of high standing and respectability, are a stage, and the Bill for the Protection of floor. In Japan, in accordance with the custom which irksome and harassing in the extreme, but what Young Girls, was passed. A return Cricket

has prevailed during successive centuries, marriage is the result when they are given in the hands of match, Hongkong Cricket Club v. Ladies' Ra-

I left the gaol I never saw the second defendant till opposed to all those principles which regulate for keeping was a over his stocks and accounts 15th inst. by the P. CO. steamer Ganges for Eng- the main river. The Prince also plid a visit to is conspicuous. He is from to smuggle out boiled land were Deputy Surgeon-General Hungerford. | the city and to the Taotai and was received with him. He is a native of Kweichow. I have never In Opcidental countries divorce is not parmit- opium at any rate, but with all that, according to Principal Medical Officer, and Deputy Inspec- all due honour. been there. My native place is Sam Kwai, a place ted by law, except in case of adultery. In France the Bill he gets the whip hand over his confrores, tor-General Fisher, R.N., who has also completed afternoon by the Kiangteen, the Chinese gun-

\$1,000,000 to \$1,509,000. There were present Hon. J Bell-frying (Chairman), Hon. A. P. MacEwen, Hon C. P. Chater, Mossrs. C. D. Battomley, II. W. Davis (Consulting Committeel, F. T. P. Foster, C. A Ozorio, S. S. Banjamin, P. Jordan, Ho Tung, H. N. Mody. and W. A. Cruickshank (Secretary.) The Chairman moved that the resolution be confirm-One of the boilers for the Peak Tramway

has just been taken up to the station at the

Gap. Its weight is 71 tons, and it was loaded

on a bogie weighing together with the frame 2

power was supplied by eight coolies working a crab winch attached to the flywheel of the engine. The rope had been tested to a strain of 55 tous, which is several times the strain which will ever be placed upon it in actual work-To provide against any possibility of accident, however, there was a safety rope of the same strength running on pulleys b the side of the banding rope, and in case of the latter parting from any cross the carriages would simply come to a standatill. The hauling of the boiler illustrated the working of the tramway. The line is haid on a solid hed of concrete, and the tramway must be pronounced an excellent piece of engineering work. In a shed at the foot of the line the carriages are in course of construction. Very consil wable changes are taking place at the present moment on the upper levels in the central district of this city. The site of the old Roman Catholic Cathedral and St. Saviour's College is being fist covered with three-storied houses thickle planted. Farther on in Hollywood Road, at the junction with old Bailey Street, a number of old bungalows have been demotished and three-storied houses are rising on their sites, 1)n the west side of these the Let the catastrophe of King Stock for King block consisting of two bangalows—the eastern of which on Shelley-street was formerly used as the lewish Synagogae, and the western one on Graham-stroot is being converted into Chinose houses, or dwellings similar to those mentioned above. Higher up the hill the buildings recently occupied by the London Mission are being pulled down, to make room for Chinase dwilling hone a, and the lot on which Brooks Cottage stands will also shortly be covered with houses. Chinese shops on the lower

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portion, and dwelling-handes for Partuguese

activity is observable, and two-storied erections

HOLHOW The Hollow correspondent of the Mercury. writing under date of the 4th first, says; -The Black-Flags," sent as reinforcements to General Feng, who is in charge of the forces now operating against the Lis, have already left for the hills. I have, however, on good authority. that their services are not likely to be called into requisition, an armistice having been signed, which points to an early desention of hostilities and the partial withdrawd of the Imperial troops.

### CANTON. FFROM A CORRESPONDENT!

There is little news of interest to chronicle from this port. The Black Flag leader, Liu Jung-fu, has not returned from Kwangsi, although the Vicarov is anxious to despatch him to. Hainan to take charge of his men who have

On the evening of the 10th inst., at about saven o'clock, a fire broke out in a pork shop in the Third Ward of the lity, and before it could be brought under control ton more shops were destroyed. The fire was unattended by any

A severe hall storm is reported to have onourred at Shan Hing in this province on the 12th inst. The storm was attended by thurder and lightning, and a high wind, which lasted about ar hour and did some damage. The newly appointed Magistrate for the Pun Yu-district received the seals of his office to-

day. The new Salt Commissioner will take over his seals on Saturday, the 19th inst. The examination of the candidates for the thirty appointments to be made in the telegraph administration department has been held. More than a hundred candidates presented thomselves for examination, so that there was a good choice of young men for the posts.

## $FOOUH \cdot W$

The Foodlow Echo says: -Full rees continue to be exceptionally common in Poochow. We seven years of age. I have been in gaol in one week, the defaudant Leung Ayow, being to permit such entry, or giving a false or incatastro; hes. The well-known establishment bevourits resort of the Comprudoric element, has section? Why I for one would certainly like, to Ordinance to regulate the trade and provide also made fast it shutters, with liabilities amounting to \$20,000. The great number of failures, counled with the extreme uncertainty as to the stability of all the native banking houses, The Japan Mail translates the following from given, even when they are given to a British ordinances were introduced, others advanced fill the mouth of all and the jerent holds the

## NINGPO.

Prince Laopold of Prussia, and swife, arrived here per steamer Ichang on Tuesday morning. His Royal Highness was received by Mr. Kleinwächter, Commissioner of Customs, whose guest carving establishments were visited and after-His Royal Highness left here on Wednesday

The Daily News says that close upon Tla. 780,000 in gold and spose arrived in Shanghai in

According to the Shên-pao the construction 8227.00t. This tsays the Daily News) is a large

The Shen-pao publishes as correspondence be-

he commuted for a money payment. hy 120 feet, so that it shall be navigable for the paper, which is regarded rather as a personal come from all parts of the province bringing steamers. The work will commence this spring, manifeste of the writer. and it is said that-four small stoamers are al-His Excellency Li Hung-chang as a gift.

scribed Tis. 40,000 more, for which he was put but that in course of time the Yamen will arms, and a secret place specially arranged for down on the list of Cantains General. The Hu-fue says that the Foochow authorities champagne froth and under the fumes of the will also charge itself, at the expense of the parhave been unable to collect a conf of lekin and friendly cigar; and if they have the means of ties, with the providing of medical attendance duty on opium under the new system. They sifting and digesting the store they will render on the field and the organisation of banquets afnow propose to levy duty on the boiled opium themselves thereby better fitted for transacting, terwards. All this at very favourable prices as to compensate for their losses, as has long been foreign business than they have ever been. done in Canton. There is a great scarcity of The marriage of Monsieur Sonhart of the tended the solution of questions of this nature. cash in Fonchow and much difficulty in getting French Lega ion and Mademoiselle Strikides. Saigon duels have always been a subject of respectable banks to re-open after the late dis- niece of His Excellency the Belgian Minister, amusement to people outside the colony; now turbances. At Scochow a proclaumtion has was delebrated on the 20th ult., and was a the local press is beginning to ridicule them.

been issued forbidding the opening of opium very triliant affair, the guests all in full dress. shops. The Shen-page says that junks are fitting. The bride looked levely in a splendid dress of

out at Amoy to import opinm direct from white sating. The official ceremony took place at Hongkong and smuggle it along the coast. The state of literary darkness in which the and immediately thereafter the first religious Mongolian town of Uliasutai is kept is painfully ceremony was held in the body of the church, set forth in a translation made by the Daily News the mass being conducted by Abbe Favier. A from a recent memorial in the Peking Gasette. second religious ceremony was observed in the The Warden of the Marches whose post is in chapel of the Russian Legation, and the that benighted town received an order to send to. picturesque ritual of the Orthodox Church Peking a formal congratulatory address on the greatly interested the spectators, few of whom recont assumption of power by the Emperor. He had previously had an opportunity of wit had despatched the best congratulatory address nessing such a service. After the marriage Am could concool on the 28th of last November. Madame Verbaege de Nayer entertained the confand he was evidently at his wits' end when the pany at the Belgian Legation. new order resched him. There was no proper paper to be obtained in such an out-of-the-way of the best for some time, is fortunately now place, and no precedent at hand to guide him in fast recovering. On the 25th alt. the Marquis, drawing up the proper address, but the despatch accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Lien Fang, from the Board of Ceremonies gould not be and his physician, Doctor Dudgeon, dined at the ignored. The Warden accordingly wrote out Netherlands Legation, at the request of His the Address on yellow memorial paper in the form | Excellency Mr. Ferguson. The company concommunicated by the Board, put it in a memorial sisted, besides the 'arquis and his party, of the box, and sent it by a special messenger; and it is British Minister and Lady Walsham, the United sutisfactory to see that his excuses have been States Minister and Mrs. Deaby, Doctor and accepted, and that his memorial is endorsed with Wrs. Martin (T. W. K. College), Doctor and he Imperial minute." We have taken commission. Dirs. Pritchard (London Mission), Mr. and The Shanghei Courier records the death, at Mrs. Jordan (British Legation), Doctor and the residence of the family in Kiangai Road, Mrs. Edkins, etc. The Margais seemed quite in Shanghai, on the 14th March, of Lord King hiselement again in this European entouriges, and Pole Tseng, youngest son of the Marquis Tseng, although then not in good health declared on par-Deceased, who was eight years of age, had been | ting that he felt much the better for the enjoyment

postponed his return to China. Though he then has learned to appreciate during his long sojourn recovered and regrated considerably during the in Europe. This is an event not without some voyage back to his native land, the young Lord | good omen for the future with regard to the so soon became seriously ill again, and died on Mon- between Western and Chinese statesmen of the day morning, the 14th March. We believe his new generation ailment was abcess of the liver, and that latterly several military mendarine, all with their but how they are to be put on the lake is not yet 5 . YEAR DIVIDEND POHICY retinues. The coffin was placed in one of the explained. lower rooms, and deceased being so young.

chief mouruers were the deceased's two brothers, tions.—Chinese Times who walked on either side of the coffin, the Marchioness Tseng following in the immediate (says the Chinese Times), between the Shun TIENTSIN.

francs in regard to the works at Bort Arthur, on account of wrong measurements given them in the contrict. H.I.H. Prince Chan has telegraphed to Li Hung-chang to come to Peking to be present at the review of H.I. " s stroops, known as the Hsin-chih yen. Li. I bear, leaves here earlier than be intended to have done, and although the 13th inst. will be the anniversary of Lady Li's birthday, he will start for Peking on the lith to enable him to be present at the review

I hear the French Syndicate claimed from

12th March: His Excellency Li Hung-chang left here yesterday morning for Poking. He rode thirty miles on horseback and then took his chair for the remainder of the journey. The Emperor and Empress leave Peking for

the Western Tombs on the 31st instant. H.E. Sheeg Taotai left here by the Haeting this morning for Chefoo. The schemes that he laid before Li Hung-chang have not, it is said been very successful. The Chinese paper, Shih pao, says that the

Tientsin-Taku Railway, and other things will be arranged by Li Hung-chang whilst he is at Although the railroad scheme was known here

on the 7th ultimo, and that it had been arranged in favour of the French Syndicate, it has faken all this time for our local paper to make the facts known. This is the more surprising as it is well known that the Yamens here and at Peking are connected with the Shih-pao .- Mercury Correspondent.

The Censors of the "Middle City" in Peking have issued a proclamation forbidding any one from refusing to take the "One-for-ten-cash." The Tientsin Shih-pao says :- Their Excellent eies' proclamation states that since the reign of Hien Fung the cash minted by the Pao Chuen and Pao Yuon shops have been used one fer ten, and their shapes, sizes, and weights have been det rmined and authorised by the Board of Revenue from time to time, with the full sanction of the Throne; and, although these cash are not of a uniform size or weight, they have pussed current for a long number of years, and people have curried on their business in peace. But it is now understood that dealers and brokers are refusing certain kinds of cash, taking only those that are largest and heaviest, so that when poor people come with their cash to buy rice and flour they find these articles withheld from them unless they consent to a greatly depreciated value of their cash. Consequently frequent litigations and quarrels have arisen. On enquiries being made, it was ascertained that this state of affairs in the financial market was caused by the rumour affeat that a different system of coinage will be immediately instituted in accordance with the orders of Her Majosty the Empress. It should be understood that when the Board of Revenue received the sanction of the Throne, during the 6th moon of last year, to make an entire reform. ation of the present system of cash mintage within a period of three years, permission was also granted to continue the use of the one-forten cash, and there never was any idea of discarding them as obsolete:

have induced the Tsung-li Yamen to send renew- was dismissed with costs against the de ed instructions to the Viceroy of Nanking to fendant. The Court found that the article take the question of dredging the bar seriou ly | complained of was not defamatory, and that in hand and to report on the condition of the if it had caused the plaintiff any injury he for the delay of needed reforms, but rather the d'Haiphong. The Avenir, in publishing the provincial official, out of whose pockets, in the judgment of the Court, says it was proved at the first instances at all ovents, the expenditure hearing that M. Cousin had never signed this would have to come.

The views expressed by the Marquis Tsing fused satisfaction when challenged, but had said since he was appointed what may be called — I am ready to fight, but bring me my ad-"Master of the Mint" are understood to be of a versary's certificate of birth to prove that he is VIHE Undersigned having been appointed R. Greig, Master, shortly expected from SHANG. conservative character. He advocates a return properly called de Cogolin." to the ancient native method of casting the copper coinage, or, if foreign machinery must be used that it should be kept at a distance from A French Police officer at Saigon has died of the capital. There is no doubt that in adopting hydrophobia. A month ago he was bitten by a

The Peking Gazette of the 18th February | this attitude the Marquis follows the course | dog which died a few days afterwards with sympthe clerk in the Board of Royonne, whose en- The article published under the name of the A short time ago an expedition was sent from ormous "squeeze" on payments for the repair Marquis Tseng in the Aciatic Quarterly Review Saigon to restore order in the province of Phuof the Yellow River was mentioned some has naturally attracted a good deal of attention yen, which was being ravaged by re els. The time since. He has got a hundred blows and here. Many of the ideas are no doubt the Mar- work has been accomplished apparently without three years' banishment, but this will doubtless | quis's, but it would be crediting him with a difficulty according to correspondence published miraculous command of a foreign language to in the Saigonnais. On the 20th ultimo, Phang, a The Hu-page says that the Empress has or surpose that there was not some dark gentleman rebel General, and a Chinese supplier of arms were dered the Board of Works to employ the Imbehind to at least see the article through the executed in eight of more than three thousand perial soldiers in widening the Kwan-ming Lake press. Little political significance is attached to notables and former chiefs of the rebols who had

The Morquis Tsing has settled down not their standards." The French have been well feady on the lake, including the one presented by without dignity into his most useful position received by the settled population. According to a Shanghai native paper, an power there it would be premature to say, but Indo-Chinois has the following: The Indoattempt was made to squeeze Tis, 20,000 wine- at any rate the board have in him a means of Chinois, justly provoked by the annoying intermoney out of the late Haikwan or Hoppo of obtaining information they never before pos- ference of the Administration in private affairs Canton at the Tung-pien gate of Peking. He sessed, and that alone must give him influence, called affairs of honour, from this date places at got off for Tls. 8,000 through the intercession His sociable disposition leads the Marquis to the disposition of Government servants everyof one of the Ministers of State. The Haikwan frequent the foreign Legations, where he talks thing necessary for a properly conducted dual than gave Tls. 10,000 to the Admiralty, for which freely but says nothing, and is very receptive without risk of Police interference. At any he received a No. 1 button. Later on he sub. of what the Ministers tell him. It cannot be hour of the day and night may be had seconds, amass a fund of knowledge gleaned over the meetings. The administration of the journal

the Tung Tang Cathedral in a vestry room,

The Marquis Tseng, whose health was not in bad health for a long time, suffering severely of the evening. It is pleasing to find that this disduring the last few months of the stay of his tinguished high Chinese official, who enjoys the illustrious father, in England, and it will be re. full confidence of his Government, does not keep membered that it was in consequent of his aloof from foreign society, but is keeping up procurious condition that the Marquis Tseng freedom of civilized social intercourse which he

The new Marine Board have some time since Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000. he was attended by Dr. Little and Dr. Pichon, determined on establishing a training school for His father being absent in Peking, he could not officers and men on the Kung Ming-hu, an Imbe consulted as to the funeral arrangements, and perial lake situated some miles west-from the it was decided to remove the body on the 16th to city. The water is, of course, shallow, between the Kisngnam-Arsensl, and it was to take part 2ft, and 3ft., and only small vessels can be float. THE LATEST ADVANCE IN LIFE -in this ceremonial that the high native officials ed on the lake. Two months ago orders were assembled that morning. Among these present | sent to the Director of the Tientsin Arsenal to were His Excellency Taotai Kung, the District build two small steamers, about 50 feet long, to · Magistrate, the Mixed Court Magistrates, and ply on the lake, and they are shortly expected;

Peking being the place where learned men for the spirit of the departed, while on the top of cise their powers of composition in essays, poetry, the coffin was a very pretty red banner, contain- epigrams, and other literary gymnastics. Some King Pole Tseng, born 12th day, 8th moon, 5th new one has just been established by three zeayear of Kwang Su, died 20th day, 2nd moon, lous literates named Wang, Yang, and Wong. 13th your Kwang Su." After the usual number | The distribution of subjects for essays has taken of cruckers had been let off and bombs fired, the place, under the supervision of one named Lin corting left the residence, and proceeded up the Tang Ying. The society has already between Nanking Road, into the Kiangsi Road, into the fifty or sixty members, many of whom are known French Concession, and on to the Arsenal. The to fame and some occupying the highest posi-

On the south side of the Tartar city wall

Chih and Hai Pien gates, there lies a long stretch of level ground which forms the Chinese The Undersigned are now prepared. race-course. Here, once a year, at the conclu- GRANTPOLICIES of INSURANCE against sion of the New Year holidays, the young bloods FIRE at the following Rates :of Peking exhibit the pages of their favourite On First class European mules, or, with heavy bit and startling cry, mige the frightened animals to outstrip their On First-class Godowns fleeter comrades. There are cart races, too, raising clouds of dust and almost blinding the the course. These may be called the Belling On Petroleum in li-Stakes, for many spectators are evidently drawn by a desire to purchase. Altogether the scene On First-class Chinese is a strange and exciting one to the diagily clad foreigner as he soberly picks his way among the On Second Class hineso gaily dressed crowds, almost deafened by the shouts of carters and rumbling of carts, the cracking of whips and jaugling of harness, conscious that he offers a fair mark for their sallies of wit, and thankful that it is all so good hamoured.

## JAPAN

The Japan Mail says:—The purchase of the FIRE AND LIFE at Current Rates. German steamer Bellow has at length been completed, and the yessel transferred to her new owner, Mr. S. Asano, of Tokyo. The name selected for the steamer is Hinode Maru, which means "Rising Sun." We understand that Mr. Asaro will acquire four or five more steamers at an early date, and that he intends also to have some new vessels built in England. Manchester (says the Japan Mail) is to-have a one tolerably big order from the silk spinning factory

of Osaka (Temma Hoseki-gaisha). - The company is about to increase its capital by six hundred thousand yen, of which two hundred thousand is FROM THIS DATE. to be spent on new machinery. The president of the Suriau Shôkai, a local mercantile firm, being about to visit England, has undertaken to procure the required machinery in Manchester. It is rumoured (says the Japun Gazette) that the Japanese Government contemplate laying a marine cable between Sado and Niigata and another one between Tsushims and Nagasaki, but according to the Nichi Nichi Shimbun the work is not to be undertaken for the present, as it would require a considerable outlay, which in the present state of the treasury there might be difficulty in meeting. That the finances of the Government are at a low abb may be surmised from the fact that the project to connect Okinawa and Oshima with the mainland by a telegraphic cable—a project of much importance from a strategical point of view-was not decided upon until quite recently.

## INDO-CHINA.

TONQUIN. . The Avenir du Tonkin learns from a reliable sourch that the concession to work the coal mines of Tonquin will shortly be put up to

Two representatives of the Court of Siam have been appointed to attend the exhibition at Hanoi, namely, Phra Jolathan Villichi, a Mandarin of the third rank and Inspector General of Navigation and Canals, and Khorn Pritoa, an Attaché of the Foreign Office.

M. Cuers de Cogolin, editor of the Courrier and Japan, and at Sing d'Haiphong, has sued M. Consin, editor of the and the Philippines. Avenir du Tonquin, for damages for libel, in the Consular Court at Hanoi. The libel complained of was contained in an article in which the . The Woosung Bur has been engaging the at: plaintiff's right to the name under which he tention of the foreign Ministers of late, and they passes was called in question. The case NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE dredging machine, &c. This seems to afford had himself provoked it by an article which had additional corroboration of the views recently previously appeared in the Courrier d'Haiphong. class risks at current rates. put forward in the Chinese Times that it is not | An apology purporting to be signed by the the authorities in Peking who are responsible defendant was inserted in the Courrier apology, and also that M. Cousin had not re-

"ANTENOR, IO-MORROW, the 23rd inst. "their cannon, their rifles, their lances, and Hougkong, 17th March, 1887. STEAM TO NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA

compared with the cost which has hitherto at-

For other mail nows see Supplement.

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Secretary. HEAD OFFICE. No. 2. Queen's Road West, Hongkong, 34th March, 1881,

NOTICE, THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED: Is prepared to ACKEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at 1 % nett per Annum, and other In- FIHE 3/3 L II German Bark SUBANCES at Current Rates. AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang,

JAS. H. COUGHTRIE, Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

F'HE Undersigned. AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on first-MELCHERS & Co Hongkong, 27th March, 1876.

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY. ESTABLISHED 1805.

Agents for the above Company are pre- HAL, will load here for the above Ports, and pared to issue l'olicies of Insurance against Fire will have quick despatch. on the usual terms. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Ca Hongkong, January, 1882.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH: OCEANO STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

Captain Grier, will be despatched as above For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA). HE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "LOMBARDY," will leave for the above places on THURS DAY, the 24th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

E. L. WOODIN Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, 18th March, 1887. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN. THE Company's Steamship "CHEFOO.

Captain Hughes; will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. 1559 required. Hongkong, 19th Morch, 1887. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND NAGASAKI. (Passing through the Inland SEA). THE Company's Steamship

"GENERAL WERDER." Captain W. von Schukmann, will leave for the above Ports on or about the 25th instant For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, 19th March, 1887. FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

HE Steamship "GLENROY," Captain Webster, will be despatched as above

on or about the 25th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, 15th March, 1887. INDO-OHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA. HE Company's Steamship

Captain Davies, will be despatched as abo on SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at THREE P. This steamer has Superior First Class Ac commodation specially constructed to meet the requirements of tropical climates. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managors. Honglong, 19th March, 1887. NETHERLANDS-INDIA STEAM NAVI. address in full: value of same is required. GATION COMPANY FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG, AND SOURABAYA (VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE).

THE Company's Steamship "BORNEO $_{i}$ Captain Wilkens, will be despatched as above on or about the 26th instant. For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, 19th March, 1887. STEAM TO SHANGHAI. INHE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

" CATHAY." will leave for the above place about 36 hour after arrival with the next English Mail. E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, 19th March, 1887.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE: STEAM TO SHANGHAI. ■ HE Company's Steamship

Captain Sander, will leave for the above FOUR P.M. place about 24 hours after arrival with the outward Gorman Mail. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, 19th March, 1887 OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

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THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING

THE Steamship "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohams, on TUESDAY, the 5th April at THREE P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports. All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 "/, from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 "/ will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 1 from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company. No. 50 A. Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hongkong, 28th February, 1887.

FOR NEW YORK: THE 3/3 L II Norwegian Bark "PROFESSOR MOHN," O. Jensen, Master, will load here for th

above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to EUSTAU & Co. Hougkong, 1st February, 1897. FOR HAMBURG, DIRECT.

"ANNIE." Kröncke, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, 29th January, 1887. FOR LONDON, DIRECT. THE A I British Barque

W. Summers, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, 12th March, 1887...

FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.

FILE 100 A I British Bark

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1887.

"FIFESHIRE" For Freight or Passage, apply to AENHOLD, KARBERG & ... co. VESSELS ON THE BERTH. \*COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, CO LOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS. PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS. AND MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL

AND LA PLATA; LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX. DUNKIRK, AND ANTWERP.

IN TUESDAY, the 22nd March, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "GYUS," Commandant Lequerré, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above

don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 F.M. Specie and Parcols until 3 P.M.; on the 21st March, 1887, (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are

For further particulars, apply at the Comrany's Office. G. DE GHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, 11th March, 1887. U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MATLETEAMSHIP COMPANY: THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U.S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF SYDNEY," will be despatched 7 San Francisco, vil Yokohama, on SATUR-DAY, the 26th March, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transnortation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England,

France, and Germony by all trans Atlantic lines of Steamers. RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or rice versal within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 %, from Return Fare: if re-embarking within one year. an allowance of 10,1, will be made from Return Fare. Pre-paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Janan to Europe. Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the day previous to sailing, Parcel Packages

will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Celloctor of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company. No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN, Agent Hon'rkong, 10th March, 1887.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE PENANG COLOMBO. ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MAUTA. HBRALTAR, BRINDIST, ANCONA VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON; BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA. N.B.-CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN

GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-BURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON. -SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND OBJECTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship 'COROMANDEL." Captain Reeves, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from thictor LONDON via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL on TUESDAY, the 29th March, at Cargo will be received on board until 10 A.M. on 28th. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until NOON, on the 29th March.

Tea, Silk, and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo [7] for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo. For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and Passage apply to the Peninsular & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANT'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are re

nired to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to not the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent.

Hougkong, 19th March, 1887. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ PORT SAID, TRIESTE, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THELEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

ONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL-TIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE, N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

N MONDAY, the 18th day of April. 1887, at Noon, the Company's Steamship BAYERN." Captan Sander, with MAILS PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CABGO WILL leave this Port as above, CALLING AT GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, DAVID CORSAR & SONS' Gargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M. Merchant Nav Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 17th of (Parcels are not to be sent on Board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are

The Steamer hassplendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Acents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1887. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE 3/3 L I. I. American Ship

"STATE OF MAINE," Nickels, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, 4th March, 1887. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE 3/3 L II American Ship "SARAH HIGNETT," Morgan, Master, will lead here for the above-Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hougkong 25th January, 1887. FOR HAVRE AND LONDON. HE 100 A I British Ship AMPHITRITE.

Ports and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 21st March, 1887.

Anderson, Muster, will load here for the above

VESSELS ON THE BURTH.

FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 L II American Bark "EDWARD KIDDER." Griffin Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 20th January, 1887. ....

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. FIHE 3/3 L. I. I. American Bark

"ANNIE JOHNSON?" Captain M. Hall, will load here and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1887. FOR HONOLULU. THE American Ship

MERCURY. Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon- Captain Panne, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight or Passage apply to EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co. Bongkong, 15th March, 1887.

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THE ENGLISH MAIL The P. & O. S. N. Jo.'s atoamer Cathay, with the next outward English mail, left Singapore on the 16th, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd instant. This packet brings replies to letters despatched on the 11th January. THE INDIAN MAIL

The Inde-China steamer Taisang, with the next Indian mail, left Singapore on the 15th. and may be expected here on or about the 22nd THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer Oceanic, with the American mail of the 24th ultimo, left Yokohame on the 18th, and may be expected here on 463 or about the 24th instant.

THE GEEMAN MAIL. The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Buyers with the German mail of the 22nd February, left Singapore at I p.m. on the 18th, and may expected here on or about the 24th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED. The D. D. R. steamer Hesperia left Singapore at 3 p.m. on the 17th, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant. The. O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Diomed left Singapore on the 20th, and is due here on the

pore on the 21st, and is due here on the 27th instant.

26th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES

The Glon Line steamer Glenorchy left Singa-

The Postal Guide for 1886, revised to date will be found in the Daily Press Directory. . 385 large edition, p. 701 small edition. This [1294] is the only authorised complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

The anthoused List of Mails issued o GEMS. Can be seen on application at connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always [433] corrected to a much later hour than that given

A MAIL WILL CLOSE. For Swatow, Amoy, and Tsiwanfoo.-Per. Formosa: to-day, the 22nd inst., at 5:00 P.M. For Haifong .- Per Sarthe, to day, the 22nd inst., at 5.00 P.M. For Swatow and Bangkok .- Por China, tomorrow, the 23rd inst., at 7.30 A.M. For Bangkok .- Per Decima, to-morrow, the 23rd inst., at 4.30 P.M.. For Saigon.—Per Falkenburg, to-morrow, the [418 | 23rd inst, at 4.30 P.M.

For Haifong. - Per Activ, to-morrow, the 23rd nst., at 5.00 P.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per Lombardy, to-morrow, the 23rd just., at 5.00 P.M. For Straits and Calcutta.—Per Taisang, on Saturday, the 26th inst., at 2.00 P.M. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET. The French Contract Packet Oxus will

be despatched on TUESDAY, the 22nd inst.,

with Mails for the United Kingdom. Europe.

and places beyond, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Barmah, Cevion. the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madret Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT

MAILS.

THE FRENCH AND GERMAN MAILS. Day before Departure. 5 P.M. Money Order Office closes. German Mail 4 P.M. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office Day of Departure

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Swire. FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG THE Unde signed. Agents of the above Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates.

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Hongkong 18th January, 1884. MANNHEIM REINSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE

RISKS at Current Rates.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1887. [680] NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are anthorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. \*\*RANSATLANTICFIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG. The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. WINTER TIME TABLE THE KOWLOON FERRY STEAM-LAUNCH

"MORNING STAR." Runs Daily as Ferry Boat between Prodac's WHARP and TSEM-TSA-TSUI at the following hours :- This Time Table will take effect from the 21st October, 1886. SUNDAYS. WEEK DAYS. Hongkong 7.0) A.M. 7.00 A.M. •10.30 9.40 12.20 NOON. 10.55. .. . 1,16 P.M

12.25 P.M. 12.26 P.M. 11.15 .. 12.45 p.m. 1.00 2,20 4.10 5.25 There will be no Launch on Monday and

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